



# Pavilion figures more than double under community's management

MORE than a third of a million people visited the transformed Weymouth Pavilion complex

during 2014.

The figures sharply underline the Pavilion's new lease of life since it

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became a community interest company in July 2013.

Manager Phil Say now has the first full calendar year of visitor figures which are almost double that for previous years.

He said: "This is success beyond our wildest dreams."

"We have doubled our full-time staff here to 12 and tripled our part-time staff to 15 in our first 18 months."

"Now we will have to employ at least another 14 staff for 2015; four full-time and ten part-time. This is all due to the popularity of the Pavilion which is enjoying skyrocketing success."

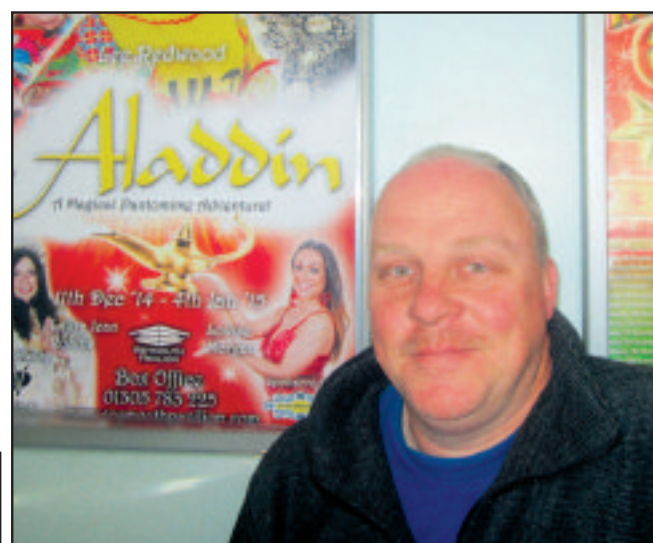
"We can hardly keep up with event bookings and we had just one empty day without an event for the whole of October, November and December 2014."

"Not only are we struggling to cope with the sheer volume of current events but people are coming to us to make bookings for as far ahead as November 2016."

"Overall I would say that business is up at least 30 percent on what it was before we took over."

"We are averaging more than 1,000 tickets sold here every week and figures for the full year to December 31st, 2014,

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■ PAVILION manager Phil Say

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**KEY "Ballonatic" Hart was born in Bournemouth and grew up in South London, running an entertainment agency before coming to Weymouth where he is now famous as a balloon-making entertainer.**

● **WHY** do you live in Weymouth?

Because it is probably one of the most awesome places I have ever been to. I have a great affection for Weymouth because when I was 17 I was a Blue Coat at Pontins at Osington Bay.

● **WHERE** do you go for your holidays?

It is too nice in Weymouth to go anywhere else so I am really on holiday all the time.

What is your favourite time of the year?

Summer because I do like the sunshine and the festivals. It is the busiest time of the year for me.

● **WHAT** is your favourite film?

The Shawshank Redemption because Morgan Freeman is one of my favourite actors. He was amazing in the film.

● **WHAT** is the scariest thing that has ever happened to you?

I do stiltwalking and I fell off them and landed on cobbles. That was scary because I was off work for eight weeks and it took a lot of nerve to go back up 12feet and do stiltwalking again.

● **IF** you could live your life again what would you be?

I would be a musician because I have always wished that I had some musical talent. I would love to play the drums.

● **WHICH** three people would you invite to your dream dinner party?

Edward Lear because of the amazing imagination he had creating all those limericks, Alice Cooper because he is one of the greatest showmen and rock stars and because I was in the film Dark Shadows with him. My third dinner guest would be Harry Houdini because he was the first man ever to make magic and escapology famous. He's the name that everyone remembers.

● **WHAT** would you do if you won the Lottery?

I don't think that it would change me much. I would use the money to help people who are a bit less fortunate than me.

● **WHAT** do you hope the future holds?

I hope that I can continue to spread smiles one balloon at a time.



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# Weymouth biologist warns Portuguese of cyanide use in fishing

A CRUCIAL salvo in a war against deadly cyanide fishermen has been delivered in Portugal by a Weymouth-based marine biologist.

Chris Brown, senior curator with the Sea Life network, visited the University of Aveiro near Porto to deliver funding for full-time testing of water samples for cyanide traces.

The cash, from new marine conservation charity The Sea Life Trust, will help speed up analysis of samples from fish deliveries to Sea Life centres across the globe.

The use of cyanide to stun fish for collection is widespread in South-east Asia. It not only kills most of the fish targeted but also destroys coral reefs.

Chris, who works at the Marine Animal Welfare Department at Weymouth Sea Life Park, said: "Worryingly, it is particularly prevalent in the collection of fish for the live food trade, especially for restaurants in Hong Kong."

"It has also been used by some collectors for the ornamental trade though," he added. "We want to make sure no cyanide-caught fish



■ A FISHERMAN using cyanide to stun fish

find their way into Sea Life centres and help end the practice altogether if we can."

Sea Life has teamed up with a Portuguese scientist Ricardo Calado, who has developed a test making it possible for the first time to check if live fish were exposed to cyanide.

Chris said: "We vet our suppliers and check their sources rigorously, but it is impossible to accompany every single fish on expedition."

"This test will enable us to identify any newly arrived fish that has been exposed to cyanide, and to alert the relevant suppliers."

"The onus will then be on our supplier to track the delivery back to source and make sure the fishermen involved are boycotted."

He added that the ultimate objective was to drive the guilty fishermen out of business.

Randomly selected fish from any new deliveries to Sea Life centres are transferred into fresh saltwater and a sample of that water taken 24 hours later.

Chris said: "If the fish has been in contact with cyanide there will be traces in the water from any waste passed by the fish."

"Currently, the samples all have to be sent to the University for analysis, but we are close to developing a field-test which will

speed up the process." In the interim the grant from the Sea Life Trust will enable sample testing to proceed much more quickly.

Though barely a year old, the Sea Life Trust has also made grants this year of £50,000 to charity Whale & Dolphin Conservation, and £10,000 to The Shark Trust.

The Trust's Head of Global Projects Andy Bool, formerly of the Marine Conservation Society, said it was an encouraging start and added: "The Trust is already making a vital difference in the ongoing battle to safeguard our seas and the creatures that live in them."

"Wiping out cyanide fishing would save habitats and thousands,

if not millions of fish, but we at the Sea Life Trust have other ambitious projects lined up and the potential to make a really significant contribution to marine conservation in the years ahead."

## Melcombe Rotarians boost funds by almost £3,600

WEYMOUTH'S Rotary Club of Melcombe Regis performed some fantastic fundraising by collecting nearly £3,600 for local charities in the three weeks before Christmas.

Collections were made in Asda, Sainsburys and Morrisons supermarkets as well as street collections in Westham – where Rotary was aided by local volunteers and three local councillors – and Littlemoor where assistance was given by community volunteers and the Moor Voices choir.

Club spokesman Ian Brooke said: "We would like to thank the communities of Westham and Littlemoor and the staff and management of Asda, Sainsburys and Morrisons for their help."

"We also want to thank the people of Weymouth for their amazing generosity and I can assure everyone who contributed that the money will be used during 2015 to aid local charities and good causes."

## Family History Society hosts talk on railway architecture

SOUTH Dorset branch of the Somerset & Dorset Family History Society start their series of talks for 2015 on Friday, January 16th, at St Aldhelm's church centre, Spa Road, Weymouth.

The first talk of the year features transport expert Brian Jackson giving his latest offering on Railway Architecture, which will include the old Weymouth station.

The session will begin at 2.00pm with tea or coffee and the talk will start at 2.30pm. All are welcome. Admission is £2.



■ FROM left: Chris Brown, Ana Ferreira (Displays Curator, Porto Sea Life Centre) and Dr Ricardo Calado

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## Pavilion figures more than double

show we sold nearly 60,000 tickets which is well up on the 50,000 we were hoping for."

Financial success is being translated into facility improvements and among recent work at the Pavilion have been upgrades to bars, chillers, fridges, dishwashers, glass washers, ovens, toilets and carpets.

money the Pavilion is generating has also enabled us to deal with building fabric issues including six major leak areas, four of which have been fully repaired while the other two are in the process of being repaired.

"Our next major project starting this month will be to redecorate the piano bar, the foyer and the Ocean Room while

we also have our eye on renovation for the Ocean Room windows and surrounds."

He added that the Pavilion was now a serious local employer with more than 40 staff anticipated to be on the books by Christmas 2015.

Mr Say said: "We are looking forward to a very busy 2015 while 2016 is promising to be even busier."

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# Council leader to stand down

By Jack Dixon  
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WEST Dorset District Council leader Robert Gould will formally resign from his post this week, it has been confirmed.

Cllr Gould, who also took over the leadership of the county council recently, said he would be stepping down to concentrate on his new role.

He is set to be replaced as leader by Cllr Anthony Alford, representative for the Allington and Netherbury ward, who is expected formally to take up the position tomorrow (Thursday 8th).

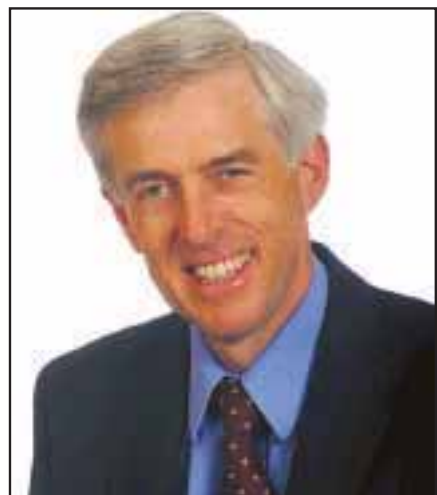
Cllr Gould, who spent more than a decade at the helm of the district council, had also been standing in as leader of the county authority following the resignation of former leader Spencer Flower, who is facing a court trial for failing to declare personal interests in planning matters.

And the Conservative member was elected on a permanent basis early in December, after defending the council's handling of the accusations against Cllr Flower.

In a statement, Cllr Gould said it had been a "great privilege" to lead the authority in delivering a series of "flagship" projects, but that he must now focus his attention on the county council leadership.

"I have recently been elected leader of Dorset County Council. I have decided therefore that I must step down as West Dorset District Council leader so that I can give my full energy to this new role", he said.

"I have immensely enjoyed my 10-and-a-half years as leader and it has been a great privilege to



**■ OUTGOING leader, Cllr Robert Gould**

lead the authority through a period of unprecedented change.

"I am very grateful for the support that I have received from members and officers during this time."

Cllr Gould said he was proud to have ensured the council's finances were well managed and that council tax had been kept low during his tenure.

He also remarked on the key move to cut costs by working more closely with partner councils in Weymouth & Portland, and North Dorset.

"Together we have achieved so much for the residents of west Dorset but, most importantly, we have ensured sound financial management and kept our share of the council tax low.

"This has enabled us to avoid the large cuts to services other district councils have been forced to make, maintain support for our voluntary organisation and deliver large flagship projects, such as the new Dorchester sports centre and Lyme Regis coastal defence works.

"Our move to more efficient offices has unlocked the potential for partnership working, first with Weymouth & Portland, and now North Dorset. This ground-breaking work has been recognised nationally by the award of over £2million to implement the three-council partnership."

Cllr Anthony Alford was elected by the Conservative group as its new leader last week and is expected to be voted through as Cllr Gould's successor at a meeting tomorrow.

Cllr Gould added: "I trust that on Thursday, Cllr Alford will be elected as the new leader of the council and I am confident that he will be outstanding in this role."



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# Air ambulance is Bluebird's charity of the year

**BLUEBIRD** Care Dorset has selected Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance as its Charity of the Year for 2015.

The Air Ambulance was the winner of a staff vote that saw them not only come out on top overall but also achieve the greatest level of support from each of Bluebird Care Dorset's individual offices.

Director of Bluebird Care Dorset, Joanne McMahon said: "We felt that it was important for our Charity of the Year to be chosen by our staff so we invited each of our office teams to nominate two charities to be short-listed and then our care workers voted for the charity that they wished to fundraise for in 2015."

Bluebird Care Dorset's Dorchester office care manager Bex Symes said: "The Air Ambulance was one of the charities selected by my Dorchester office to be short-listed. I am delighted that we will be championing this

cause for 2015 as it is a hugely worthwhile cause much in need of public support."

The Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, which is based at Henstridge on the border between the two counties, relies entirely on the generosity of the public to continue its work. Since its launch in 2000, the Air Ambulance has flown over 10,000 missions, each one the result of somebody suffering a potentially life-threatening injury or accident. The Air Ambulance can reach any point in Dorset within 12 minutes and, from there, can transfer the patient to a local hospital or any of the Major Trauma Centres in the South West within a further 20 minutes, ensuring that a rapid transfer to the 'right' facility maximises chances of survival and recovery.

Co-Director of Bluebird Care Dorset, Chris Scriven said: "We have tasked each of our office teams with holding at least two fund-rais-



■ BLUEBIRD Care Dorset staff with members of the Air Ambulance; their chosen charity for 2015

ing events over the coming year and I will be organising further company-wide events to boost these efforts. We will also have a collection pot in each office throughout the year.

"My understanding is that for each mission flown by the Air Ambulance £2,500 of public support is needed. We have therefore set

ourselves a fund-raising target of £5,000 for the year as it would be great to have covered the cost of two missions.

"At Bluebird Care Dorset, our care at home services can often involve helping people to get back onto their feet and regain independence after an accident or operation.

"We recognise that

the Air Ambulance works at very much the acute end of this type of service and we have a huge amount of respect for what they do."

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance fundraising co-ordinator Leanne Colverson said: "We are thrilled that Bluebird Care Dorset has nominated us as their charity of the year for 2015.

"We can only raise the £1.7 million a year it costs to keep flying with the support of the public and businesses like Bluebird Care Dorset.

"It's exciting to hear some of the teams fundraising ideas and we are really looking forward to working with the Bluebird Care team over the coming year."

## Beware email tax scam

FRAUDSTERS are trying to get the personal bank details of residents in Weymouth and Portland by sending them a scam email.

Police say the emails, supposedly from HM Revenue & Customs, have an official-looking mail heading with the HMRC logo in green in the top left hand corner. The email states: 'You have received a tax refund payment from HMRC 2015'.

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Working with local groups, around 50 disabled sailors were supported in 2013 during Chesil Sailability's full first season.

They make disability plain sailing for everyone afloat using specialist dinghies called Hansa 303s and a range of other adapted boats such as a Cornish Shrimper.

Peter Fry is one of the volunteers with Chesil Sailability and when he heard that the group urgently needed six more buoyancy aids he suggested they approach The Society of Dorset Men's charity fund.

Peter is a longtime member of the society. Society deputy chairman Andrew Prowse said: "We were delighted to help with £300 as we are always



■ FROM left: Peter Fry, Andrew Prowse, Hugh de Longh, Jane Buckle, Kirsty Lydeard and Anya de Longh. Picture: Michel Hooper-Immins

keen to support local charities working for local people.

"The waters around the sailing centre are the best in the world and there can be no better base for local dis-

abled sailors."

Chesil Sailability chairman Hugh de Longh said: "We are overjoyed to receive this money. It will help us to safely extend our groups by another six

sailors."

Chesil Sailability is run entirely by volunteers who are all passionate about helping people with disabilities. Anyone who wants to volunteer is welcome,

even those who don't like the water or know one end of a boat to the other, there are many land-based jobs to be done.

Visit [www.chesilsailability.org.uk](http://www.chesilsailability.org.uk) for details.



■ Past Chief Ranger Tony Williams (front left) presents a £500 cheque to Leanne Colverson of Dorset Air Ambulance with current Chief Ranger Robin Barrett (front right). Picture: Michel Hooper-Immins

## Foresters present £500 cheque to Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance

A CHEQUE for £500 has been presented to Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance by Honorary Court Highclere No 1 Weymouth Ancient Order of Foresters.

It was handed over to Leanne Colverson by immediate past Chief Ranger Tony Williams who said: "I support the Dorset Air Ambulance because, as a taxi driver, I am always on the road and one day I may need their help myself."

The money was raised by Foresters during Tony Williams' term of office and was handed over to the Air Ambulance at a coffee morning hosted by George Perham in Wyke Regis. Robin Barrett, elected Chief Ranger

in October, has chosen the Salvation Army as his year's charity.

Mr Williams said: "Dorset Air Ambulance do any amazing job all over the county, playing a lifesaving role in unpredictable situations by taking seriously injured people quickly to hospital. They are supported entirely by voluntary contributions and I am very proud the Foresters have been able to help fund their vital work."

The Honorary Court currently meets in the Grade II listed Pilgrim House in Hope Square.

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## New panto on its way

PORTLAND'S Royal Manor Theatre company is busy rehearsing for a new pantomime.

Members are planning a wonderful family show entitled Old King Cole and the Troublesome Troll which is written and directed by one of its newer members, Jo Mackay.

The pantomime features some well-known faces as well as some new members who have joined the company. The show also features choreographed dance routines and some special effects that all add to the magic of pantomime.

The production will run from Wednesday, January 14th to Sunday, January 18th inclusive with evening performances beginning at 7.30pm. There will be a matinee on both the Saturday and Sunday at 2.30pm, but no evening performance on the Sunday.

Tickets are priced at £8 for adults, £7 for seniors and just £6 for children and people are urged to come along and support their local theatre.

Tickets are now available from Danny's in Fortuneswell and Cards & Celebrations. People can also book by calling Ticket Source: 0333 6663366 or book on-line at [www.royalmanortheatre.co.uk](http://www.royalmanortheatre.co.uk).

## Julia's House AGM

JULIA'S House will hold its AGM on Wednesday, January 14th at 7.00pm at the WI Hall, Galway Road, Wyke Regis.

Attendees will hear about Julia's House's plans for 2015 and get the chance to chat with (and perhaps join) our volunteers.

## 'Alf' buys lunch for over 300



■ WEYMOUTH Volunteer Group members Mark Dolbear and Peter Monk (second right) receive £100 presented by South Dorset MP Richard Drax (left) on behalf of Alf's owners John Pearce (right) and Karen Pearce

ELDERLY residents of Buxton House, Weymouth, enjoyed 65 free lunches and deserts as well as a free box of chocolates all courtesy of Alf's Fish and Chip Shop.

Owners John and Karen Pearce, famous for their fundraising, said the money for the meals had been raised by their generous customers.

John added: "We ran a campaign to raise money for these lunches and once again our customers were wonderful."

"We have also provided meals

for the elderly at Goldcrest on Dorchester Road and to 240 children at Beechcroft Primary School.

"Another 400 Christmas crackers and 60 tombola prizes went to children at Conifers Primary School.

"We also gave six turkeys on to the Prayer House plus all the vegetables to go with them plus Christmas puddings and cream and £100 to Weymouth Volunteer Group towards providing Christmas lunches for the lonely and the elderly.

"It is one of our busiest charity times of the year but it is also very worthwhile. This is a little shop with a big heart."

South Dorset MP Richard Drax help John distribute chocolates at Buxton House and said: "The Pearces are part of that rare breed whose generosity knows no bounds."

Buxton House manager Junette Brooksbank said: "I think what Alf's has done is amazing. It is really kind of them to think of the residents at Christmas. Our residents loved it!"

## Winter advice for the elderly

A HOME safety and falls prevention event for older people will take place in Portland at the Community 2000 Hall on Tuesday, February 3rd.

The aim of the event is to raise awareness of potential dangers in the home, including faulty electrical equipment that can lead to domestic fires, and injuries caused by slips, trips and falls.

Information about surviving the winter, accessing aids and adaptations for the home, joining local activities and managing finances will be available.

There is also a chance to trade in old, slippery slippers for a free new pair, for those over 55.

The event has been organised by the Dorset Partnership for Older People's Programme (POPP) in partnership with Dorset Fire and Rescue and supported by a number of other partner agencies.

Cllr Jill Haynes, Cabinet member for adult social care at Dorset County Council, said: "Falls are all too common among the elderly living at home, and can often lead to severe injury and loss of independence.

"The chances of falling and being seriously injured in a fall increase with age. Research shows that one in three adults aged 65 and over experience at least one fall each year.

"Many of the accidents happen at home, and one of the most common factors is old, ill-fitting slippers. We want to encourage anyone over 55 to come along and find out more about how to prevent falls and making sure their home is safe."

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# Ofsted report says Wey Valley School must make 'widespread improvements'

WEYMOUTH'S Wey Valley School needs to make widespread improvements, Ofsted inspectors said in a report this week.

They rated the Dorchester Road site as needing to look at improving all four key areas of assessment including leadership and management, the behaviour and safety of pupils, quality of teaching and the achievement of pupils.

Wey Valley's "requires improvement" was the same Ofsted rating it received 17 months ago.

Ofsted's January 2015 report said improvements in standards of teaching at Wey Valley have not yet secured good progress for all students in all subjects including mathematics.

Tasks in some lessons did not engage students' interest, said Ofsted, and the pace of

the lessons was too slow so that students did not focus sufficiently to make good progress, while the behaviour of some students prevented all lessons flowing smoothly and time was lost to "low level disruption". Students also didn't always show "good consideration" in their behaviour towards each other.

Ofsted said the progress of disadvantaged students did not yet match the progress of other students nationally and that the marking of students' work was "inconsistent across the school" while teachers' advice to students about improving their work was not always followed.

Systems to check the progress of students were not thorough enough to ensure that there were opportunities to catch up where necessary and there was "some lack of clarity" about the responsibility of senior leaders which reduced effectiveness especially in the use of pupil premium funding. Governors, senior and middle leaders didn't always focus enough on improving all students' progress.

But there was also praise in the report and Ofsted said that, in English, students had improved since their last inspection.

It also acknowledged that 2014 GCSE results saw

progress by Wey Valley students match that made by students nationally in 2013. They were the best ever achieved by Wey Valley in English, maths and several other subjects.

There was more praise for the "well managed progression" of Year 11 students to local colleges and sixth forms, the school's "good" work to keep students safe, improved attendance and a reduction in exclusions.

The school's curriculum offered a broad and balanced experience to students and Ofsted praised Wey Valley's "extensive range of extra-curricular activities" including trips to Wales, the USA and Nepal and opportunities to participate in sports, expressive arts and a variety of clubs.

Areas highlighted for improvement by Ofsted ranged from better matching of tasks to students' abilities, engaging student interest to "inspire a thirst for knowledge", increasing the pace of lessons so students move quickly to new learning and offering constructive feedback to students so they know how to improve while also checking that they follow advice.

Promoting good behaviour and improving leadership and management effectiveness were also flagged up.

## Wey Valley's principal responds

WEY Valley principal Phil Thomas said they were "getting there" and were continuing efforts to improve problem areas identified by Ofsted.

He added: "Although it is disappointing not to have reached our goal of being rated as a "good" or "outstanding" school, the report recognises that significant changes have been made and some of these changes have not yet had sufficient time to demonstrate secure improvements to the learning and progress of students.

"Since the last inspection only one set of new results, for summer 2014, have been published and unfortunately these have not yet been validated by the government, which makes making comparisons with national data difficult for us due to timing.

"I am proud of the improvements we have been able to achieve in such a short time and that the GCSE examination results in 2014 were the best ever achieved by the school in English, maths and several other subjects.

"In addition, results and progress for students throughout the school are projected to improve further for this year and my staff and I will continue to inspire all our students to



■ PRINCIPAL Phil Thomas

achieve their very best.

"We will also act on Ofsted advice to review the pupil premium; the additional money we can access to help disadvantaged pupils.

"The school has been successful in narrowing the gap between disadvantaged students and other pupils nationally.

"The school expects the gap to narrow further this year, but we will endeavour to pursue additional strategies to secure progress for all our students.

"The staff and governors will be studying the report in detail and addressing the issues identified.

"Although we haven't achieved what we wanted we feel we are getting there when it comes to delivering the education that young people in Weymouth need to equip them for life."

## Annual twinning dinner



WEYMOUTH and Portland Holzwickede Twinning Society has held its annual dinner at Weymouth Gold Club. Guests of honour were Weymouth and Portland Deputy Mayor, Councillor Christine James, and her escort, Councillor Richard Kosior. Pictured is society treasurer, Derek Jackson, presenting a cheque for £50 to Mrs James for the Mayor's Christmas fund with Mr Kosior looking on.

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# Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

## So many resolutions...

WALKING home in pitch darkness, stumbling over people's rubbish bins or boxes while negotiating discarded bottles and cracker hats is a sobering way of mulling over New Year's resolutions.

You realise that having that last glass of bubbly before bidding friends a cheery farewell may not have been quite the good idea it seemed at the time, and you resolve to practice moderation more in 2015.

Three men who pass you belting 'Singing in the Rain' on a cold dry night provide you with your next resolution which is to try and keep a much firmer grip on reality, although the twirled umbrellas did look pretty good.

By the time you make it out of the street and on to the main road you've had to tack round several pavement helpings of what could have been Pringles and diced carrots. It's difficult to tell and, with a shudder, you

resolve to make 2015 the year you treat your body with more respect.

Over the next half mile or so you are entertained by a procession of individuals weaving right across the road in search of a stable walking surface and you resolve to try and be more understanding with challenged people even if they do greet you with: "Nappy Nu Here. Oh God I feel shick!"

Eventually you make it home, lock the door and go into the kitchen for a sobering glass of water only to come across the washing up you left undone in your haste to get round to your friends and start the celebrations. The latest resolution is never forget to clean out tuna tins. The whole room stinks.

Yes, New Year resolutions can have many triggers. What will be yours and how long will you stick with them? The next year will provide you with your answers. Be strong!

## ...and so much tat

ROLL up, roll up, roll up! Announcing a sale of unwanted Christmas presents at knock-down bargain prices!

First up there is the 'stylish' T-shirt displaying a picture of a toothless octogenarian peeing into a goldfish pond with the cutting edge cerebral message: "Old men do it standing up!" Yours for a £5 donation to the mental health charity of your choice.

Next we come to a stainless steel device with vomit yellow handle for peeling cranberries. Every home should have one... except mine. Yours for £2 or a box of cranberries.

And who could resist this cute pullover illustrated with a sad-eyed puppy dog next to a chewed slipper? Answer: I can... and it's yours for £12.50, a bargain for the price of a dog licence.

Finally I can offer a tasteful selection of socks, some with snowmen, some with Santas and a hilarious one with reindeer droppings on it. Bound to provide a laugh at the next committee meeting. A quid each to you.

Finally, for £1,000 and no time wasters please, I offer a home addresses list of the manufacturers who make this that so you can get in touch with them about your own personal Christmas woes. Now that is a bargain!

## Have your say on how your money's spent

PORTLANDERS got a bit more than a Christmas card through their letterboxes this festive season.

They were notified of a chance to put their views forward on what the island's 2015-2016 precept might be, how it might be spent and in what quantities.

Leaving aside the more wasteful suggestions such as splashing out on another piece of public artwork, islanders know their own minds and ideas have included better facilities for youth and the elderly and greater focus on Portland's history to help generate more jobs such as those already in the pipeline with MEMO and Jurassic.

Sadly Portland's drive to involve its residents in financial decision making is for money over and above that levied by the borough council, so the people of Weymouth don't have quite the same opportunity to comment on spending.

If they did then there might be a few questions aimed at the desirability of council staff emigrating to West Dorset based at Dorchester, at how income can be generated to plug the loss of Condor revenue and help shore up harbour maintenance, and at how key council assets can

be used to greater effect.

Weymouth's turn will come in a couple of months time when crucial budget meetings are planned. Don't miss them if you want to have your say on how your money might be spent.

## Bangs and a whimper

DID you get much sleep on New Year's eve once you'd gone wearily to bed?

No, neither did I because of all the fireworks going off.

Those in my area started about 7.00pm and were still going off with gay abandon at 12.30am.

Some were exploding really close and a couple sounded like they went off outside my bedroom window which really made me jump.

So by the time things really calmed down it must have been well past 1.00am, giving me a brief lull until people started coming noisily home between 2.00 and 5.00am.

Then all too soon it was dawn and time to totter downstairs for a cup of tea and get used to a new year. Hope yours is a really good one!

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Come and find out more at a series of public events in January.

These events are free but places are limited, so please register in advance by visiting [www.dorsetsvision.nhs.uk](http://www.dorsetsvision.nhs.uk) or calling 01202 541946.

**13 January - Sherborne**

Digby Hall, Hound St 2pm – 4pm

**14 January - Weymouth**

Weymouth Pavilion 10am – 12pm

**15 January - Poole**

The Thistle Hotel 6pm – 8pm



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## New sailing club facility at Nothe

AN 18-month £80,000 project to transform an old shed into a state of the art specialist facility for Weymouth Sailing Club was completed just in time for Christmas.

And Weymouth & Portland Mayor Councillor Kate Wheller was on hand officially to open the Longshed Project at Nothe Parade.

It has transformed a former boat storage area into a light and modern training and race management space.

The opening also included an exhibition of the club's history and a Way-farer training dinghy bought as part of the project was also on display while members of Youth On Boats (YOBS) gave a display of training activities.

Club spokesman Steve Dadd said: "This facility is not just for the club but for the community as a whole including the rowing club, sea cadets and the lifeboat."

"It is unbelievable to see the transformation from a shed full of cobwebs to a gleaming new facility."

The event also included a cheque presentation to Weymouth lifeboat of nearly £300.

Commodore Kathy Claydon said: "Our project would not have been possible without a grant of nearly £50,000 from the Sport England Inspired Facilities Programme that aims to build on the legacy of the Olympic games for the benefit of the community."

"So it is most fitting that our sailing club, which played an important role in the Olympics, should help inspire generations to come to enjoy sailing along this amazing coast through facilities such as the new Longshed."

The Mayor said: "It looks fantastic now, really fantastic. I watched its transformation over the past year and it is really terrific: a great facility."



■ MAYOR Kate Wheller cuts the ribbob, with Commodore Kathy Claydon

## Simon and Garfunkel story in words and pictures

THERE won't be much sound of silence when top UK tour, The Simon and Garfunkel Story, comes to Weymouth Pavilion on January 15th.

Dean Elliott runs all the promotions and marketing for the tour and also plays the role of Paul Simon in the show having previously enjoyed great success as a performer including playing the West End lead role of Buddy Holly in 'Buddy' - The musical for two years.

He said: "Has it really been 50 years since the most successful Folk-Rock duo of all time recorded their first no 1 hit single The Sound of Silence?"

"The Simon and Gar-

funkel Story is currently the biggest and most successful touring theatre show celebrating the lives and career of the sensational Simon and Garfunkel."

Dean and a full cast of talented actor-musicians takes the audience for The Simon and Garfunkel Story back through the "groovy" times of the 1960s.

It tells the story of both Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel from their humble beginnings as rock n roll duo, Tom and Jerry, right through their massive success, dramatic break-up and finishing with a stunning recreation of the 1981 Central Park reformation concert.

Using a huge projec-



■ A SCENE from the show with Dean Elliott as Paul Simon (front right)

tion screen, the show features both original photos and film footage while a full live band perform all their hits including 'Mrs Robinson', 'Cecilia', 'Bridge Over Troubled Water', 'Homeward Bound', 'Sound of Silence' and many more!

The show promises to be stunning entertainment with a great deal of nostalgia and those interested in more information or in buying tickets can contact the Pavilion box office on 01305-783225.



■ THE duo on stage

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■ SPENCER McCarthy from Churchill with Katie Blake from Macmillan Cancer Support

## Churchill Retirement Living gives over £20k to Macmillan charity

MACMILLAN Cancer Support has been presented with a cheque for £21,749.81 from retirement developer, Churchill Retirement Living.

The company which has a home in Dorchester, took part in the annual World's Biggest Coffee Morning event. Churchill colleagues and owners at Barnes Lodge all came together to brew, bake, drink, eat and raffle their way to exceed the £20,000 target.

In the south west region, Chairman and Group Managing Director, Spencer McCarthy, and Regional Managing Director, Martin Young, also donned pinnies and made tea and coffee for employees at Churchill's head office.

Mr McCarthy commented: "This is the sixth year Churchill has taken part in the World's Biggest Coffee Morning

and being able to present this cheque to Macmillan this week is a real pleasure as we know how vital such fundraising is to the work that they do. It also makes serving 115 cups of tea and coffee to the team at head office all the more worthwhile too!"

Katie Blake from Macmillan Cancer Support said: "We are so grateful to Churchill Retirement Living for choosing to support us again this year.

"The money raised will go towards supporting the two million people affected by cancer today, ensuring that no one will face cancer alone.

"Churchill have been fantastic supporters of Macmillan and are helping us be there for someone with cancer when they need us most. A huge thank you to everyone who was involved!"

## Diverse Abilities celebrates 60th anniversary

ONE of Dorset's most deserving charities will be celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2015.

Diverse Abilities is the only charity in the county that supports children and adults with profound physical and/or learning disabilities and their families.

During 2015 the charity will proudly celebrate its 60th birthday and recall how over six decades it has grown and now supports more than 600 children and adults across the county.

The charity was founded by Phyllis Edwards, now 97 but still involved with the charity today. Phyllis, and her husband John's, daughter Marilyn, was born in 1948 with cerebral palsy and it took two years for her disability to be diagnosed.

Phyllis was told, "put her away she will only be a cabbage," but she and John discovered a need for support for local families with disabled children.

Their letter published in a newspaper in 1955 received a number of responses and within two months a group was formed for parents intent

on providing better opportunities for children with physical and learning disabilities.

The first meeting was held in Phyllis's front room and the charity, known then as the Bournemouth, Poole & District Spastics Society, was formed and a committee appointed.

Sixty years on the charity now supports more than 600 children and adults with disabilities across Dorset and enables them to reach their full potential through a range of services and is proud to offer a lifetime partnership to the people it supports.

The charity continues to support Marilyn, Phyllis' daughter, to this day. She lives in one of the charity's supported living bungalows and visits its day opportunities centre, Barnabas.

Phyllis Edwards, Diverse Abilities founder, said: "Looking at the charity now, it is remarkable to think that the whole organisation came into being as a result of a small advertisement in 1955.

"I am proud to have started such an amazing charity and I hope its



■ FOUNDER, Phyllis Edwards and her daughter, Marilyn

work can continue long into the future so more people with disabilities flourish and live happy, independent lives."

As part of the 60th year celebrations Diverse Abilities is encouraging the local community to get involved with the charity and there are many ways that people of all ages can join the charity celebrations during its commemorative diamond year.

Diverse Abilities would like to hear from anyone who has been involved with the charity in the past, have memo-

ries or interesting stories.

They also want to hear from anyone who would like to challenge him or herself and help raise funds for the charity as part of its £60,000 fundraising target.

Opportunities include skydiving, abseiling, It's A Knockout, dragon boat racing and running.

Jenny Pearce, communications manager at Diverse Abilities, said: "We are very excited about our 60th anniversary year and looking forward to all the plans that are in place.

It costs the charity

£16,000 per day to run, so taking part in our events and getting involved will really help make a difference and people will be personally supporting the future of the charity.

"We have many events and initiatives planned in 2015, there's definitely going to be something for everyone. If you would like to be involved, please do get in touch."

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## Free health checks in Tesco as they join with health organisations to fight obesity

TWO-THIRDS of people in the south west unaware of the number of calories needed to maintain a healthy weight.

The news comes as a new charity partnership is launched between the British Heart Foundation, Diabetes UK and Tesco to raise £30 million and help people lead healthier lives.

Research commissioned by Diabetes UK, the British Heart Foundation and Tesco found that:

- only one third (35%) of respondents from the south west knew the average man needs to consume 2,500 calories a day to maintain a healthy weight.
- only 37% could pinpoint 2,000 calories as the equivalent for women.

The group says that more than 60% of UK adults are currently overweight with nearly half of locals asked (45%) doing less than the minimum recom-

mended amount of 150 minutes exercise per week. Nearly one in ten admit to doing no exercise at all (8%).

The British Heart Foundation, Diabetes UK and Tesco are highlighting these findings, to drive awareness that failure to understand how many calories are consumed could lead to weight gain.

They believe this lack of understanding is one of the factors fuelling the high obesity rate in the UK, which in turn is leading to the high rate of cardiovascular disease, Type 2 diabetes and other chronic health conditions.

Over the next three years, the three organisations are hoping to raise £30 million, to be spent on a series of initiatives that will help people better understand how to lead a healthy lifestyle, with the ultimate ambition to make a positive change to the health of the nation.

As one of the first ac-

tivities of the partnership, Tesco stores around the country are offering free health checks for 40,000 individuals this January.

This includes a blood pressure check, a cholesterol test, a Type 2 diabetes test and a BMI (weight) check and takes about 20 minutes.

Barbara Young, Chief Executive of Diabetes UK, said: "It is worrying that most of us don't understand not just how many calories we should consume, but also what a healthy calorie intake looks like."

"This lack of awareness is one of the root causes of the high obesity levels that are, in turn, driving the soaring rate of type 2 diabetes, as well as cardiovascular disease and other chronic conditions."

Simon Gillespie, Chief Executive of the British Heart Foundation said: "These figures are deeply concerning and high-

light our confusion about calories."

"Eating too much of any food increases the chances of becoming obese, a risk factor for coronary heart disease, which is the UK's single biggest killer."

"We must all pay more attention to what and how much we are eating and drinking to maintain a healthy weight and heart."

"Half of us aren't physically active enough and this makes the situation much, much worse."

"Eating a balanced, healthy diet and doing regular physical activity are really important in reducing risk of becoming overweight and developing heart disease."

To get one of the free health checks, go to any Tesco pharmacy during January.

For more details on the campaign visit [www.diabetes.org.uk/Tesco/Know-your-risk/Risk-assessments-at-Tesco-pharmacies](http://www.diabetes.org.uk/Tesco/Know-your-risk/Risk-assessments-at-Tesco-pharmacies).

## Councillor fights for rural 'bill of rights'

WEST Dorset Liberal Democrat campaigner Ros Kayes is fighting for recognition of what many describe as the 'hidden poverty' of rural Dorset.

Cllr Kayes is hoping to persuade local councils to back the Rural Bill of Rights which recognises that people living in rural areas

earn less yet have higher housing costs; live longer, yet find healthcare more difficult to access; pay more for fuel, energy and almost every commodity and have fewer opportunities in education training and leisure activities.

Campaigners claim that rural communities

pay higher council tax, receive less government grant and have access to fewer public services than their urban counterparts.

They are calling for government to give more support for public services in rural areas and change how grants from central government are calculated.

In 2012/13 predominantly rural local authorities recovered £147.81 in government formula grant per head, 52% less than their urban counterparts, while in 2012 the average rural dweller spent £2,000 a year more on their essential goods than their urban counterparts.

### Challenges ahead says Picot

Dorset Community Action chief executive Alex Picot has talked on a time of continuing change and challenging times ahead.

In his end of year message the Dorchester-based chief said: "This year has seen many changes in the sector from changes in local post offices, district wide reviews of community partnerships, to changes in the NHS and launch of the Clinical Services Review."

"While change can be unsettling for all of us, I do genuinely feel that there will be many opportunities for our



■ DCA'S Alex Picot

sector in 2015, including shaping how our health and social care services will work, and new European funding programmes starting.

"Our sector needs to be ready for this, and be prepared to work collectively to secure our rightful place in this new reality."



■ Cllr Kayes and campaigner Hugo Mieville at County Hall with the Rural Bill of Rights

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Colourfence is manufactured in Gloucestershire with all surveys and installations handled by a network of locally owned franchises. But, until the Stewarts became involved with the brand, nobody covered the South West – something that surprised Andy when he first came across the company.

"I was amazed Colourfence wasn't promoted in this area already, as there is clearly so much demand," he says. "We would certainly buy it ourselves; we have a garden and have spent too many afternoons with a paintbrush in hand. We've also spoken to friends and family who've recently had to repair or replace storm-damaged panels.

"Virtually no maintenance, coupled with its strength and durability make it the classic no brainer," he adds. "Moreover, the costs and guarantees means Colourfence is much better value than timber in the long term."

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"Andy and I built and sold a franchise with a well-known home-improvement company, and we had a great reputation with the public," she says. "We always put a lot of emphasis on customer service, and were pleased to find Colourfence upholds those same standards."

Colourfence built its model on ethical trading, and features a number of customer testimonials on its website. The company has also collected a few accolades since landing on these shores, becoming a RHS Gold Award winner and being voted one of BBC Gardenings Top Ten products.



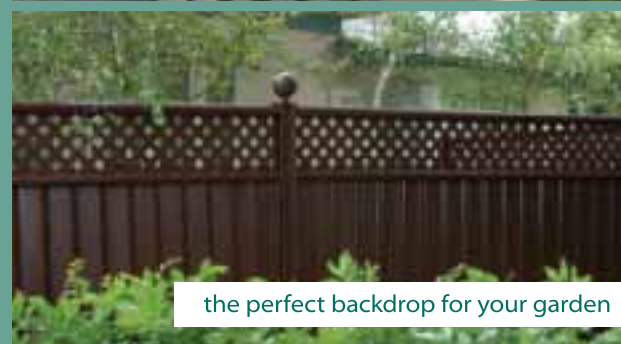
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"We are already hearing positive reports

from our active groups", Kate from the Fordington group said. "It's actually good fun, I'm learning new things, and we are all learning from each other"

The Transition Together programme is supported by Communities Living Sustainably in Dorset, which is funded by the Big Lottery Fund.

To find out more, come to the meeting on 7th January at 7.00pm at The Quiet Space, Woodlands Crescent, Poundbury, Dorchester, or contact Emily on 07507 321954 or (01305) 213721.

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ELEVEN snowdrop services of remembrance are being planned by the Weldmar hospicecare trust across Dorset in 2015.

The snowdrop gardens and walks were established to provide a lasting memorial to loved ones. The services are held when snowdrops first appear, reminding us that the hope and warmth of spring are not far away.

The walks are held throughout our area from Shaftesbury in the north, to Weymouth in the south.

All are welcome to attend the services. Snowdrops can be planted in memory of a loved one and their name included in the snowdrop memorial book, which is kept in each location.

The trust asks for a donation of £10 to cover costs; this donation will be acknowledged by a commemorative card.

For more information call Bereavement Services, Weldmar Hospicecare trust on (01305) 215321. Full details are on the website: weld-hospice.org.uk.

**The services will be as follows:**

- Beaminster: St Mary's church, Thursday February 12th, 11.00am
- Blandford: St Peter & St Paul's church, Tuesday February 3rd, 12.30pm
- Bridport: Bridport United church, Thursday February 5th, 11.30am
- Dorchester: the Borough gardens, Sunday February 1st, 3.00pm
- Gillingham: the Cemetery gardens, Saturday February 7th, 11.00am
- Lyme Regis: St Michael the Archangel church, Tuesday February 10th, 11.00am
- Shaftesbury: St James' church, Sunday February 15th, 3.00pm
- Sherborne: Castleton church, Friday February 6th, 11.00am
- Stalbridge: the Pound gardens, Sunday February 8th, 3.00pm
- Sturminster Newton: the Railway gardens, Monday February 2nd, 11.30am
- Weymouth: Holy Trinity church, Friday February 13th, 2.00pm

## Wey Valley students learn about work



■ Norman Staples of Weymouth Lions Club interviews student Jerry Thompson

MORE than 150 Year 11 students at the Wey Valley School, Weymouth, have been getting a taste of adult life.

They have been learning tough lessons about what it takes to get into further education or start a career by undergoing mock job interviews with business leaders from local industry and the public sector.

Mary Critchell, Wey Valley's co-ordinator for ages 14 to 19, said: "This is the third year the school has carried out these mock interviews and they have served our students well as many 15-year-olds will not have experienced an interview before.

"Interview techniques are one of the basic employability skills that we all need and at Wey Valley we are doing all we can to prepare our students for the future. The feedback from students and the many volunteers from business has been really positive."

Year 11 student Jamie McIntyre said: "This was my first interview and I found it very useful with questions on predicted grades, future careers and where I am with my current studies."

Sophie Challoner said: "I have had two interviews before, but this morning's interview was very good with lots of questions

about how my current studies will shape my future ambitions."

Harry Taylor-Griffiths said: "My interview went really well and has given me confidence in knowing what to expect with future interviews."

Lloyd Savage, economic regeneration officer at Weymouth and Portland council, said: "The interviews have been a really useful exercise."

"Some students were a little nervous at the start but became very confident as the interview progressed."

Councillor Pam Nixon said: "It has been a very interesting day meeting so many great students with so

much potential. It was refreshing to hear young people with strong and determined opinions."

Sarah Colwell from Activate Performing Arts said: "Excellent interviews today; the students have surpassed my expectations with their preparation."

Wey Valley School principal Phil Thomas said: "We are very grateful for the continued support from so many business leaders who have interviewed and supported our students."

"This has been an inspiring day for our students and will no doubt prepare them well for their next step in their studies and careers."

**If you have a story for Weymouth or Portland, email Harry  
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## Sensory garden opened in Weymouth



■ THE new sensory garden at Westhaven hospital

A SPECIAL sensory garden has been opened at Westhaven Community Hospital in Weymouth.

League of Friends at Weymouth & Portland hospitals chairman David Smith opened the facility which saw patients, friends and families join staff to celebrate the ribbon cutting for the therapeutic courtyard garden.

The idea for the garden came from the hospital's dementia group, whose members wanted to create a safe and tranquil outdoor sanctuary for those living with dementia and for end of life patients and their families to enjoy. The new garden is equipped with an outdoor socket so that music can be enjoyed outside.

The garden will provide multi-sensory stimulation as a form of therapy and a space that can be

explored where plants provide stimulus for patients through their colour, texture and smell.

Its relaxed and informal atmosphere will also give dementia patients time to socialise and reduce any isolation or boredom they may be experiencing. It will also provide welcome distraction from their symptoms, helping to maintain mobility and improve mood, stamina and concentration.

Westhaven matron Anne Hiscock said: "The new sensory garden is in addition to our spectacular garden at the front of the hospital which is maintained to perfection by our fantastic volunteers and well used by patients and visitors alike.

"I would like to thank the League of Friends for their generous donation as well as the kind contributions made by grateful patients and relatives."

## Flood prevention help on its way

DORSET residents who have suffered from flooding in their homes are getting help.

Dorset County Council is installing flood barriers, doors and pumps to homes that have reported internal flooding to the habitable parts of properties to criteria set by the Environment Agency.

Mr Howell, from Winterbourne Abbas had the work done and said: "I am very pleased with the work. The scheme has provided a great degree of help towards mitigating future flooding problems to my property.

A total of 100 properties will be fitted with devices that will improve flood resilience and help householders return to normality quickly after being flooded.

This scheme is funded by Flood Defence Grant in Aid which is administered by the Environment Agency.

Cllr Peter Finney, Cabinet member of environment and economy said:

"We are delighted to be co-ordinating this initiative and are confident that when installed we will significantly improve the re-

silience for households in the most at risk areas."

More help is at hand for those who have been affected by flooding from the National Flood Forum. The national charity helps people prevent or reduce the impact of flooding.

The National Flood Forum can be contacted on 01299 403055 or visit [www.nationalfloodforum.org.uk](http://www.nationalfloodforum.org.uk)

If you would like your property to be considered to benefit from the scheme in the future, visit [www.dorsetforyou.com/flooding](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/flooding).

## Join an indoor rounders team this year

WEST Dorset District Council (WDDC) is looking for new teams to join their indoor rounders league, starting at the end of January.

The indoor game is a six a side version of the outdoor game.

The league is being set up with financial assistance from Rounders England. The district council received a grant earlier this year and the council has already delivered rounders sessions to several groups in the area.

Throughout the country rounders is being played, and not just at school, but by parents, sports clubs and workplace teams. Indoor and outdoor com-

petitions are proving to be very popular and the district council hopes that the league will be a great way to bring people together at the end of a work day.

Cllr Robert Gould, WDDC leader said: "Participating in sport within the local community is a great way to meet new friends, socialise and help lead an active and healthy lifestyle.

"I would like to thank Rounders England for getting behind WDDC and supporting great community initiatives like this."

All fixtures will be played in Dorchester at St Osmund's community sports centre. The sports hall has a great viewing area so

substitutes and other teams can watch games taking place and socialise at the same time.

The new league will have limited places and the first six teams to complete and return the team registration will be allocated a place. Teams can register up to 12 players but only six can play at any one time. Entries need to be received by January 8th.

If you would like to register a team or are interested in getting a team together and would like more information, visit [dorsetforyou.com/rounders/west](http://dorsetforyou.com/rounders/west) or please contact Sarah Davies on 01305 252263 or email [sarah.davies@westdorset-weymouth.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.davies@westdorset-weymouth.gov.uk).

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## Celebrity Training

### Bridport residents launch fitness website 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers'

LOCAL business owners and fitness entrepreneurs Luke Hayter and Nicole Attrill have launched a new fitness venture with fashion and television personality Sam Faiers entitled 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers'.

Bridport residents Luke Hayter and Nicole Attrill have developed 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers' as an all inclusive health and fitness website focused on you getting the best results at home with your computer, smartphone or tablet. Renowned personal trainer Nicole Attrill and Sam Faiers head up the exercise tutorials with fun and challenging workouts for you to do at anytime, anywhere.

It's packed full of tutorials, advice and tips to help maximize your workout and get you that healthy, strong and dream body! Whether your goal is to get fitter, slimmer, stronger or more toned, Celebrity Training is your new personal trainer to help get you results and best news is – it can all be done from the comfort of your own home!

Filled with exclusive content it's also completely bespoke, you can send pictures of your improvement and target graphs are there to help see your progression! 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers' also has a food and diet section with recommendations from healthy eating expert Sophie Bradshaw.

'Celebrity Training with Sam' directors Luke Hayter and Nicole Attrill comment:

'We are thrilled to be launching our new business venture 'Celebrity Training with Sam Faiers' next year, it's a great website and we have worked hard to make sure the workouts are challenging and fun at the same time. Launching our website with Sam Faiers is brilliant as she pushes herself and has seen

results from training with Nicole and is looking forward to sharing this with her fans.'

Fashion and television personality Sam Faiers adds: "I am really excited to be working with Luke and Nicole on our project 'Celebrity Training with Sam

Faiers' as I love all things health and fitness; the beauty of the website is that you can do it anywhere at anytime. As I lost a dramatic amount of weight from my Crohn's Disease, I feel stronger than ever since working with the team at Celebrity Training."



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# Small steps to a healthier you

## Easy tips for a healthier diet

- Change from sugary sodas to sugar-free or low-calorie drinks, or at least alternate the full sugar versions with water.
- Replace butter with low-fat spreads.
- Choose reduced fat cheese or when using cheese in cooking, try a stronger flavour like mature Cheddar, which means you can use less.
- Brown leaner mince when making spaghetti bolognese or chilli, then drain off any fat before adding other ingredients.
- Choose desserts and dressings that are lower in fat.
- Use semi-skimmed, 1% fat or skimmed milk instead of whole milk.
- Swap sugary cereals for plain ones like porridge or wholegrain wheat biscuits.
- Use less sugar and salt, and try not to add salt to food when cooking.

## Break the boozing

- If you tend to have a drink at a certain time, break the habit by doing something different at that time.
- If you drink every day, try to have at least two days a week when you don't drink at all.
- Pace yourself by sipping slowly, and space your drinks out - have a soft drink or glass of water in between.
- Have a smaller bottle of beer instead of a can, or a single instead of a double.
- Swap your usual for a drink with less alcohol, which may be cheaper and often has less calories.

## Active ideas

- Walk or cycle to work, school and/or the shops.
- Use the stairs instead of the lift.
- Dance madly to your favourite songs in the kitchen.
- Take up a sport you enjoyed at school.
- Do some active housework or gardening.

For more information about small healthy changes, visit [www.nhs.uk/Change4Life](http://www.nhs.uk/Change4Life)



# 2015 fitness trends

LONG gone are the days when exercising meant going for a jog or heading to the local aerobics class.

These things still exist of course, but not quite in the same way - aerobics now means a long list of pump-it/dance-it/blast-it/shake-it-to-the-beat variations, there are all sorts of fancy gizmos and disciplines for strengthening up and, while jogging might still essentially be the same, look at how many people are now 'training' for an event, monitoring progress on smartphones and investing in the latest gravity-defying trainers.

Certainly, we're spoilt for choice these days when it comes to how we exercise. 2014 saw high-intensity interval training [HIIT] become mainstream, 'personal bests' are something everybody - not just pro athletes - think about, and getting-my-sweat-on overtook pouting-on-a-night-out as the social media selfie of choice.

According to the trend forecasters, there's more to come in 2015.

"We've all become more serious about sports and recognised that we might actually improve our performance if we trained specifically for the event," says leading personal trainer Matt Roberts. "It's taken a while, but following advice

experts have given for years is now on-trend and set to continue. Blame/thank the rise of triathlon and cycling, and their physical and technical demands..."

Indeed, 'fit not thin' was the mantra for 2014, with toned, healthy and strong overtaking catwalk-skinny as the most bandied body ideal (hurrah!). But how we look isn't the only fitness reward we cherish; how it makes us feel is important too.

"Working out now isn't just for the sake of it, and it's not just for aesthetics," adds Roberts. "A trek, mountain climb, triathlon, duathlon or any of the other events available are becoming the norm. Find a new goal, make it big, the world is your oyster and nothing is going to stop you in 2015!"

Personal fulfilment, improved mental and physical health, camaraderie and supporting charity campaigns all feature on our list of motivations for pursuing challenges too. On a day-to-day scale, against a backdrop of obesity epidemic headlines and rising rates of stress and depression, each and every one of us can benefit from being active.

## Time and convenience top the list

"We're increasingly time poor," says Dave Kyle, head trainer for Les Mills UK. "We're working longer hours than ever, so finding time to work out can be increasingly difficult."

"A huge trend for 2015 will be convenience and time efficiency," adds Kyle. "Whereas previous years we've heard about extreme and tough workouts, 2015 will see more classes and workouts being offered that fit in and complement our busy lifestyles."

## Poundbury Yoga Studio

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## Bridport Leisure Centre

### Commit to get fit in 2015 with Bridport Leisure Centre

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Whether pounding through the water with a fast paced front crawl or toning up with breaststroke, swimming is a versatile sport that can really improve your aerobic fitness levels. It doesn't matter whether you're a beginner taking your first lesson in the water, having fun at Aqua Fit or returning to the sport after a break, Bridport Leisure Centre has something for everyone! The Main Pool plays host to a number of regular Aqua Fit classes including a new Aqua Blast class on a Tuesday evening from 6.30pm – 7.15pm. This is a high intensity session designed to raise cardio and endurance levels, whilst improving strength, flexibility and muscle tone with no impact on your joints.

Swimming is also a great family activity and the Big Fish Swim School kids' lessons could also help your little ones get a head start in the water. The Big Splash Inflatable session on Saturdays provides a fun hour for the kids to burn off some steam and go wild. On Sundays the Big Splash Fun sessions offer fun for all the family; both pools are filled with a variety of fun floats, mats, woggles and toys for everyone to enjoy.

The Main Pool is now open for Public Swimming until 8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, followed by Lane

Swimming until 9.30pm. The new and exciting Price for Life Swim Only Membership can help you make the most of the 25 metre pool. The Swim Only Membership allows you to enjoy unlimited use of the Swimming Pool during all public sessions; this membership is ideal for both the serious swimmer and those who want to unwind and relax with a leisurely swim and if you join now you can save the £25.00 joining fee!

With over 100 Fitness Classes per week, the new Fitness Class Timetable runs from Monday 5th January – March 31st 2015 and includes some new and exciting classes and courses. If you're looking for a Monday lunchtime workout, why not try the new 6 week Kettlebells Course to set you up for your week. If you want to move your dancing feet, then a new Line Dancing class will be running on Wednesday mornings from the 14th January in the Sports Hall, and for those who want to stretch and get bendy there is an additional 6 week Stretch Course starting on Saturday mornings



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# View 2



## CASANOVA IN LOVE

Pip Utton brings his new  
show to Broadwindsor

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# TRANSMISSION

*Your guide to local live music*

## upcoming gigs

**Saturday 10 Jan**

Arts Centre,  
DORCHESTER

**DA Blues:**

**Becca Langsford  
& Vince Lee**

Doors 7.30pm. £13/£6.50,  
£14/£7, £11/£12.

Nags Head, LYME REGIS

**Real World**

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Powercut**

9.30pm

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**Sunday 11 Jan**

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

**Ansell & Gretel**

4-6pm

Durnovaria Wine Bar,  
South Street,  
DORCHESTER

**Bernardo playing  
Continental Guitar**

4-6pm

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**Friday 16 Jan**

Arts Centre, BRIDPORT

**Elaine Davies and  
Philip Clouts**

8pm. £10

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**Saturday 17 Jan**

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

**Slither**

9.30pm

Re-loved Vintage & Tea  
Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill,  
DORCHESTER

**Bernardo playing  
Vintage Guitar**

7pm. Free entry, booking  
advised - 01305 257070.

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**Sunday 18 Jan**

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

**Richard Kennedy**

4-6pm

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**Saturday 24 Jan**

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

**The Esplanades**

9.30pm

Nags Head, LYME REGIS  
**On The Nash**

Re-loved Vintage & Tea  
Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill,  
DORCHESTER

**Bernardo playing  
Vintage Guitar**

7pm. Free entry, booking  
advised - 01305 257070.

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**Sunday 25 Jan**

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT

**Amy Mayes** 4-6pm

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**Friday 30 Jan**

Marine Theatre,  
LYME REGIS

**Southern Tenant  
Folk Union**

Doors 7.15pm.

£13.50/£12.50

## Top vocalist at Jazz Cafe

# ELAINE DAVIES WILL WOW WITH HER VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL PROWESS

VOCALIST Elaine Davies is also a multi-instrumentalist, playing saxophone, flute and clarinet, and the audience will be able to experience all of these at the Bridport Arts Centre Jazz Café on Friday, January 16th. (She also plays the piano but this role will be filled on this occasion by the jazz café impresario Philip Clouts).

Elaine appeared on prime time TV during the many years that she was with the Midland Youth Jazz Orchestra, and when she eventually moved to Devon she played in the Algy Davies Quartet, supporting many visiting national jazz musicians.

Elaine Davies is the musical director of the Carlton Big Band and the Carlton Swing Band. She also has her own jazz quartet, is a woodwind teacher in Devon, and a jazz educator. She plays the lead tenor saxophone in both bands as well as being a vocalist in the band.

Elaine is from the West Midlands and is a multi-instrumentalist. She started playing piano at the age of seven, clarinet at eleven, and saxophone since she was fifteen, then the flute at eighteen. She is also a classically trained singer, and joined Opera South West when she came to the West Country, enjoying playing such prestigious leading roles such as Bizet's 'Carmen' at Buckland Abbey.

Instead of touring with the Ivy Benson Band, she chose instead to come to Plymouth to take up a Head of Music teaching position. She first got the bug for jazz when she started doing jazz

club gigs in Birmingham with her saxophone teacher, Mike Burney, (Lead tenor saxophonist in Syd Lawrence Orchestra) while still at school.

Having tuition from Don Rendell at Whitley Hall, Sheffield, and master classes from Alan Wakeman and Stan Sultzman at Glamorgan College, Elaine soon became passionate about playing jazz. She was a member of the original Midland Youth Jazz Orchestra for many years, on lead tenor, making an album with Kenny Baker and the band, and appearing on prime time TV with MYJO.

Since moving to Plymouth, she met her first husband Lloyd (Algy) Davies at a jazz club. He was a superb jazz trombonist and Elaine played saxophone and flute in the Algy Davies Sextet, which often featured stars such as Don Rendell, Dick Pearce, Harry Beckett and Bobby Wellins. Elaine has played with many other bands such as Tour De Force, Joey The Lips, Soul Station and various jazz bands, and supports the Cavitron Fund by playing saxophone at their Fundraising Luncheons. She is kept busy being a bandleader and saxophonist, and teaching woodwind instruments in schools.

Elaine Davies will sing and play a variety of well loved jazz from the "Great American Songbook, on Friday, January

16th at 8pm at Bridport Arts Centre. Tickets are £10 available from the box office on 01308 424204 or online at [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com)



Elaine Davies

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## Feelgood 40s swing

# HITS FROM THE BLITZ

HITS From The Blitz, the unique feel-good 1940s show, as featured at the Leicester Square Theatre, London, will be swinging into the Comrades Hall, Broadwindsor, on Sunday, January 11th.

The show, which starts at 7.30pm, will have you singing along to famous war-time tunes brought to life by the singers and multi-instrumentalists of the Five Star Swing band, as seen at Dame Vera Lynn's Charity Gala Nights.

"Superb, they swing like crazy!" -says the BBC's Sheila Tracy.

Featuring Simone from the latter days of the Ivy Benson Orchestra plus Chris Smith (Jnr) composer and arranger for Glenn Miller's Brother, Herb and the BBC Radio Big Band. This show will soon sell-out - book early to avoid disappointment!

Tickets are £8 (seated at tables with bar available) are available from the box office on 01308 868368.



Vocalist and saxophonist Simone



## This week's new cinema



TAKEN 3 12A

EX-GOVERNMENT operative Bryan Mills is accused of a ruthless murder he never committed or witnessed. As he is tracked and pursued, Mills brings out his particular set of skills to find the true killer and clear his name.

Stars Liam Neeson, Forest Whitaker and Maggie Grace.

### INTO THE WOODS PG

A WITCH tasks a childless baker and his wife with procuring magical items from classic fairy tales to reverse the curse put on their family tree.

Stars Anna Kendrick, Meryl Streep, James Corden, Emily Blunt and Chris Pine.

### FOXCATCHER 15

THE greatest Olympic Wrestling Champion brother team joins Team Foxcatcher led by multimillionaire sponsor John E. du Pont as they train for the 1988 games in Seoul - a union that leads to unlikely circumstances.

Stars Steve Carell, Channing Tatum and Mark Ruffalo.

## Cinema Listings

Friday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> - Thurs, Jan 15<sup>th</sup>  
ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

LYME REGIS REGENT  
Tel: 0871 230 3200  
www.scottcinemas.co.uk

### The Theory of Everything 12A

Fri-Sun, Tue, Thu: 16.50, 19.50  
Mon: 15.30

Wed: 13.50, 16.50, 19.50

### Paddington PG

Sat & Sun: 14.20

### BFI Presents: Testament of Youth plus Live Q&A 12A

Mon: 18.30

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Tel: 01308 424204  
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The House of Magic 15 Sun: 15.00  
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### The Woman in Black: Angel of Death 15

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### Exodus: Gods and Kings 12A

Daily: 13.20, 16.40, 19.50

### The Theory of Everything 12A

Daily: 12.15, 15.00, 17.45, 20.30

### Birdman 15

Fri, Tue, Wed: 14.45, 17.00, 19.40

Sat, Sun: 17.00, 19.40

Mon: 14.15, 17.30, Thu: 14.15, 17.00

### The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies 12A

Daily: 13.10, 16.20, 19.30

### Paddington PG

Fri, Mon, Wed: 13.55, 16.10, Sat: 11.40, 13.55, 16.10

Sun: 10.40, 12.55, 15.10

Tue, Thu: 16.10

### Night At The Museum: Secret of the Tomb PG

Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.10, 17.40, Sat: 12.40, 17.40, Sun: 11.20, 13.40

### Annie PG

Fri, Mon-Thu: 15.00

Sat: 12.05, 15.00

Sun: 12.05, 17.25

### Penguins of Madagascar U

Sat: 10.30am

### Dolphin Tale 2 U

Sat & Sun: 11.00am

### Frozen PG

Sat & Sun: 10.40am

### The House of Magic U

Sat & Sun: 10.10am

### Unbroken 15

Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.00

### Foxcatcher 15

Daily: 14.35, 17.30, 20.25

plus Sat & Sun: 11.40am

### Into The Woods PG

Daily: 14.25, 17.15, 20.05

plus Sat & Sun: 11.35am

### Taken 3 12A

Daily: 13.30, 16.00, 18.30, 20.00, 21.00

plus Sat & Sun: 11.00am

### Dumb & Dumber To 15

Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.00

## A magical adventure for all the family

IN LONG ago England, amidst tranquil fields and meadows stands the tiny Hamlet of Wall. On the edge of the town, guarded around the clock, a stone wall separates the quiet town from the magical land of Faerie. Here, a young man has lost his heart and mind to the hauntingly beautiful Victoria Forester. And then, in the dead of night, a shooting star falls and breaches the wall of his love, sending him on the adventure of a lifetime.

In the luminescent glow of this star he will battle witches, sorcery, and fate, before finding his hearts true desire.

Forest Forge, the award-winning Hampshire based theatre company, have been entrusted with touring the world premiere of a stage adaptation of Neil Gaiman's classic Stardust. This wonderful family adventure was famously made into a film starring Michelle Pfeiffer and Robert De Niro in 2007. Packed full of eccentric characters, hilarious and thrilling moments, haunting music, magic and mayhem, this promises to be another special and unmissable seasonal show.

Forest Forge Theatre perform 'Stardust' on Wednesday, January 14th, at 7.30pm at Toller Porcum Village Hall, for more details call 01300 320373. The show then comes to West Lulworth Village Hall on Friday, January 23rd at 7.30pm, for more details call 01929 400790.



## Casanova in Love

SO FAMOUS (or infamous) is the name of Casanova that it has gone into our dictionaries to describe men who are, for want of a better word, 'popular' with women.

Pip Utton, a firm favourite on the Artsreach circuit, has produced spellbinding performances over recent years, including 'Churchill', 'Chaplin' and 'Charles Dickens'. However, it's Casanova's story that this acclaimed performer has wanted to explore for some time. Now in a brand new play, Pip manages to fuse theatre and the spoken word with dance, to bring an added element to the story. Pip obviously plays Casanova, and has almost all the dialogue, but is also joined on stage by a young contemporary French dancer Marguerite Chaigne who, though few words to say, portrays all six of his conquests.

Comic and moving, surprising and beautiful Casanova is a totally entertaining piece of theatre. Welcome to Casanova's memories, his dreams, his conquests and his broken hearts, his highs and his lows, his triumphs and his defeats and, of course, his seduction secrets.

'Casanova in Love comes to Broadwindsor Comrades Hall on Friday, January 23rd at 7.30pm. For more details call 01308 867644.



## Comedy Network launches at the Palace

ON A COLD winter's night, there's nothing like a good belly laugh and January 2015 sees the launch of the Electric Palace's new Comedy Network.

The first event, on Friday, January 9th, features Jarlath Regan, Adam Hess and Mark Smith.

Award winning comedian and writer for Russell Howard's Good News and the hit Irish panel show, The Panel, Jarlath Regan has gained a reputation with the industry and audiences for his uplifting, inventive and relentlessly funny stand-up, enjoying sell-out runs at the Fringe since 2007. A finalist in both the BBC and Channel 4 New Comedy Awards, Jarlath's first published book How To Break Bad News was an instant best-seller. It gained many celebrity fans including Ardal O'Hanlon who called it "Original, funny and deliciously wrong!" Jarlath's second book Putting A Ring On It - What Not To Do When Attempting To Get Married became a cult hit in his homeland.

Adam Hess (winner of Chortle Student Comedy Award 2011) is well-known for his surreal one-liners and prolific writing talents, having written for TV regulars such as Sean Walsh and Chris Ramsey. Adam has also become widely known for his unique brand of comedy on Twitter

and in the last two years has accrued tens of thousands of followers from the jokes he posts there alone. The BBC even filmed a selection of his tweets as sketches starring him as one of their 'Feed My Funny' videos.

Mark Smith (Russell Howard's Good News, MTV) has been performing stand-up regularly since 2008 and has rapidly established himself as one of the most interesting and exciting comics on the circuit. Since reaching the final of 'So You Think You're Funny' in 2009, Mark has gigged all over the UK, is a regular MC and has broken into television to present for MTV2 and to write and perform for 'Dick and Dom's Funny Business' on BBC Two. When Mark is not gigging he is the warm-up for shows such as Have I Got News For You and Room 101 (both BBC1).

There's more comedy at the Electric Palace the following week when Sara Pascoe, one of Britain's funniest women, will be on stage on Saturday, January 17th. A week later, the Electric Palace's second comedy network, featuring Gareth Richards, Phil Wang, Kieran Boyd, takes place on Friday, January 23rd.

Full details of all Electric Palace shows coming up in 2014 can be found at [www.electricpalace.org.uk](http://www.electricpalace.org.uk)

35 South Street, Bridport, Dorset DT6 3NY

Friday 9 January  
**COMEDY NETWORK**  
featuring Jarlath Regan,  
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Saturday 17 January  
**Sara Pascoe**  
**SARA PASCOE vs HISTORY**  
Jess Fostekew supporting  
7pm Doors/8pm Start  
£12 + bf advance / £14 on door

Thursday 22 January  
**National Theatre Live:**  
**TREASURE ISLAND**  
Doors 6pm Start 7pm  
£10 + bf / £12 + bf on door

Friday 23 January  
**COMEDY NETWORK**  
featuring Gareth Richards,  
Phil Wang and Kieran Boyd  
7:15pm Doors, 8:15pm Start  
£10 + bf advance / £12 on door

Coming soon: Bridport Pantomime Players present Cinderella,  
Broadchurch composer Olafur Arnalds, Pam Ayres and Fairport Convention.

**Tickets from Bridport Tourist Information Centre 01308 424901 or online from See Tickets**

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## View 2 Diary Dates

### THURSDAY JANUARY 8TH

**DORCHESTER:** Plant Heritage Dorset Group AGM at 7pm, followed by a light-hearted but not so easy horticultural quiz – 'Plants, Places and People' presented by Martin Young, in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College near Dorchester. Visitors welcome (£2.50; students £1.00 at door). Details from Rob on 01929 481535 and the NCCPG website.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 9TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis U3A - Coffee/tea at 10am at the Woodmead Hall, followed at 11am by a talk by Bruce Upton of Bridport Museum. A light-hearted look at how advertising has developed, using the "Bridport News" of a 100 years go, 20th century iconic adverts and politically incorrect specimens from the 1950s onwards. U3A Members free, visitors £2.

### MONDAY JANUARY 12TH

**BEAMINSTER:** Beaminster Moviola presents 'Pride' At Beaminster Public Hall. Doors open 7pm, film from 7.30pm. Tickets available from Yarn Barton £5 in advance or £5.50 on the door. For more details call 01308 861378.

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**DORCHESTER:** The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship meeting in the Lecture Theatre, Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester will start at 2.30 pm when Marion Biles will give a talk on her year as Mayoress. New members welcome. Membership fee of £3.50 is now due.

**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 14TH

**DORCHESTER:** Elvis Day at Age UK Dorchester. Exhibition of memorabilia on show including records, movie posters, books and a slideshow of photos from Tupelo, Memphis and Nashville. Lots of music and a few surprises. Exhibition from 10am-11.30am. Coffee and cookies will be included in the entrance fee of £1.50. In the afternoon at the Evergreen Cinema there will be a special showing of 'Blue Hawaii'. The cinema lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits will be served during the screen, for just £1.50, and ice creams also available. For more details call 01305 269444.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 15TH

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**DORCHESTER:** A talk will be given for the South Dorset R.S.P.B. Group at St George's Church Hall, Fordington, Dorchester at 7.45pm. The talk will be given by Martin Cade, Portland Bird Observatory Manager. Martin talks about the work of the Bird Observatory on the unique strange and compelling island of Portland. Admission £3 members, Visitors £3.50 to include coffee and biscuits.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 16TH

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 2-3.30pm, at St Martin's Community Hall (Next to the Church). Cakes, Preserves, Raffle, Craft, Plants, Bric-a-brac, books, Jigsaws, Cards, Local Pork, Sausages and Eggs, Local Watercress, Plants from a local Nursery and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds to St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting. Nigel Clarke, Luftwaffe Aerial Photography of the 2nd World War, at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm.

**CHARMOUTH:** Bingo at St Andrew's Hall, Lower Sea Lane. Doors 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Raffle, draw board and licensed bar.

### SATURDAY JANUARY 17TH

**UPLYME:** Jumble Sale at Uplyme Village Hall, 2pm. In aid of Royal British Legion Women's Section. For more details call 01297 442435.

### MONDAY JANUARY 19TH

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### TUESDAY JANUARY 20TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2pm-4pm at Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. A

## New year, new historical dance class

HOW are you feeling after days of enjoying good food, partying or watching television? Would you like some exercise, trying something different that stretches muscles and mind? Why not try historical dance?

Starting on January 22nd, the classes take place every fourth Thursday from 7.30pm to 10.30pm. The Town Hall is above the Corn Exchange and you can park near the entrance in North Square. Cost is £6 (£5 concessions) which gets you 3 hours of expert tuition, exercise for body and brain, and a cuppa with like-minded new friends.

Tutor Ann Hinchliffe trains with Dolmetsch Historical Dance Society and the Early Dance Circle, whose experts appeared before Christmas on BBC Four with Len Goodman and Dr Lucy Worsley. "I've danced ceilidh and morris for years," she says. "I wondered where the dances came from, so I began studying with Dolmetsch. Now I'm the historical dancing master at Barrington Court, a National Trust property where we dance in the Tudor Great Hall. I'm looking forward to running the class in Dorchester where there's such a treasury of history and music."

Dances will cover several centuries during each session, from Renaissance galliards to Jacobean country dances and Regency cotillions. "The dances are musical aerobics, as in the days before central heating," explains Ann. "We warm up with gentle steps, then tackle one complex dance each session. Since 2015 is the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, this year's focus will be on Regency dances." Is that what we saw in the Jane Austen films? "Yes, but faster. Dances in films have to be slowed down for actors to speak their lines while they move. People are often surprised by how energetic the originals are."

Dorset has other historical dancers: Libby Goodchild's Tuesday evening class at Dorchester Ballet School, Yeo Historical Dancers who practise at Sherborne, and until recently Ring of Eight. The new group, however, is not a performance team. So: no costume needed, but comfortable loose clothes and flexible footwear. You don't have to bring a partner, you don't need previous experience, you don't have to commit yourself to more than one session. Just turn up at Dorchester Town Hall and prepare to be challenged.

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### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21st

**EYPE:** West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. 'The Art and Meaning of Maps' lecturer: Prof. Jeremy Black. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 22nd

**BEAMINSTER:** Dr Lucy Goodison will give an illustrated talk, entitled 'Sexuality and the goddess' to the One World Forum in the Strode Room, (next to St Mary's Church) at 7.30pm. Visitor's entry remains at £4 which includes tea/coffee/biscuit.

**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.

**BRIDPORT:** Talk: 'T.S. Eliot Life and Work' by Graham Fawcett at Sladers Yard, 6.30pm. Tickets £10 or £15 with support. Call 01308 459511 for more details or to book.

### SATURDAY JANUARY 24th

**WEYMOUTH:** Friends of Weymouth Library present 'Smuggling Tales from Dorset & Hampshire' a talk by ex-Yettie Bonny Sartin. At the library, from 10.30am. £1.50 members, £2.50 non-members. Includes refreshments.

**BRIDPORT:** Bring and Buy Coffee Morning, Tombola, Raffles etc at St Mary's Church House, South Street, 10.30am-12.30pm. All proceeds from this coffee morning will go to the National Osteoporosis Society. A chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee.

### SUNDAY JANUARY 25th

**WHITCHURCH CANICORUM:** 15th Annual Farmhouse Breakfast at Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall from 9am - 2pm. In aid of hall funds with donation to Joseph Weld hospice. Further details available from Sue 01297 489375

### MONDAY JANUARY 26th

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### TUESDAY JANUARY 27th

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Workshop 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Lyme Regis Football Club, Charmouth Road, Lyme Regis. A follow up to Jake Winkle's demonstration on painting wildlife in watercolour. Free on site parking. All are welcome. Please contact Sue Wells on 01297 444289 to register and for more information including suggested list of materials.

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28th

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society meeting. Alice Holden runs a small team growing organic food on a two acre site in Dagenham, east of London, and will be telling us how it was set up on a derelict industrial site and now runs successfully. The talk title is "Grown in Dagenham". 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 30th

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting at Woodmead Halls. Seascape, Open PDI, and Print competitions. 7.30pm-10pm. For more details call 01297 444733

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1st

**DORCHESTER:** Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Snowdrop Memorial Services of Remembrance at The Borough Gardens at 3pm.

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5th

**BRIDPORT:** Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Snowdrop Memorial Services of Remembrance at Bridport United Church at 11.30am.

### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7th

**BRIDPORT:** Bridport Ceilidhs featuring "Jigs for Gigs" with caller Simon Maplesden, at Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South Street. Bring and Share finger food supper, with soft drinks provided; bring your own beer/wine. Doors open 7.15 for 7.30-11pm dance. Tickets £8.50 on the door but numbers will be limited for comfortable dancing so better in advance for £7.50 from Bridport Music Shop and Jaxsons Delicatessen; or call to reserve with organiser Monty (on 01308 423442). See [www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com](http://www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com)





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Lucy and her team will be able to give you information on the following:-

Do you sums – Seek advice from our lettings department on the monthly rental against the cost of your mortgage repayments. Don't forget to take into account voids where the property sits empty for a month or two.

Research the market – Choose an area where there are good facilities such as local shops, pubs, schools and public transport.

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The Q60 Concept sits low and wide in a road-hugging stance hinting at exceptional dynamics and driving pleasure.

While the Q60 Concept is fresh and original, it evokes a sense of déjà vu at times with whiffs and traces of the Q80 Inspiration (shown this past October at the Paris Motor Show) evident in its finest details.

The audaciously low roofline and quilted leather seats remind one of the elegant full-size Q80 Inspiration, while the aerodynamic gills behind the front wheel arches are inherited from the Q50 Eau Rouge sports saloon concept.

"The Q80 Inspiration was an indication of Infiniti's future design language," said Alfonso Albaisa, Infiniti Executive Design Director. "The Q60 Concept is the next step in the journey."

"The sweeping lines of the Q80 Inspiration gave the Q60 Concept its coupe silhouette and looks while the Formula One-inspired touches from the Q50 Eau Rouge endowed the coupe with its sports personality."

The visual excitement in the edgy lines of the concept is set off by the custom 21-inch wheels which take up the entire wheel arch. Inspired by jet turbine blades, the black spokes in a combination of mattes and chromes stretch to the edge of the wheel, further emphasising how "planted" the car is.

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## 2015 Mazda CX-5 - Upgraded Standard Equipment



▲ 2015 Mazda CX-5, EU Spec

THE 2015 Mazda CX-5 upgraded model goes on sale in the UK in spring this year. Priced from £22,295 to £30,595 on-the-road (OTR), the 16-strong model range features significant interior trim and standard equipment specification upgrades, as well as exterior enhancements.

The 2015 Mazda CX-5 model range is available in three grades; SE-L, SE-L Lux and Sport Nav. The range comprises three 2.0 litre petrol two-wheel drive variants equipped with six-speed manual transmissions, and thirteen 2.2 litre diesel versions - six of which are available with all-wheel drive - fitted with a choice of six

speed manual or automatic transmissions.

'No other vehicle in the Mazda range demonstrates the value of SKYACTIV technology more clearly than the Mazda CX-5' commented Mazda UK Sales Director, Peter Allibon. 'It has allowed the company to build a Compact SUV that delivers outstanding fuel economy and low CO2 emissions without compromising either performance or driving dynamics. And now, for 2015, significant enhancements and standard equipment upgrades make the Mazda CX-5 more price-competitive than ever before.'

The standard equipment specification of

every model in the CX-5 line-up has been enhanced through the addition of manual front passenger seat height adjustment, an electronic parking brake, a coming/leaving home headlamp function, and the company's Multimedia Commander with separate volume dial for safe, intuitive interactivity and infotainment control.

A new 7-inch, full-colour, centre console touch-screen incorporates DAB radio, two ports for USB connectivity and MZD Connect. Paired with a smartphone, MZD Connect makes it easier to take advantage of functions such as internet connectivity and access to social networking services.

Top-of-the-range Sport Nav models benefit from new exterior features including 19-inch Gunmetal alloy wheels, LED headlamps including LED daytime running lights, and LED foglamps.

On board, an already comprehensive Sport Nav standard equipment specification is further bolstered by a new Integrated Navigation system which offers greater accuracy, improved search features and three years of free map updating.

SE-L Lux and Sport Nav grade options now include Stone Leather upholstery (in lieu of black), whilst the Sport Nav options list further benefits from Mazda Radar Cruise Control, and an evolution of the Safety Pack which incorporates several newly-developed technologies.

Adaptive LED headlamps (ALH) automatically adjust the array of high beam illumination to avoid dazzling the occupants of both oncoming and preceding vehicles, without the need to switch to low beam lighting.

The Lane-keep Assist System (LAS) with Driver Attention Alert (DAA) builds on the existing Lane Departure Warning system, providing steering wheel vibration and assisted steering if the driver strays from the middle of the chosen lane. Having first learned the owners driving style, DAA operates at speeds of over 40mph, alerting drivers to take a break if it detects a degra-

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## Mazda2 Black Edition And White Edition Celebrate The New Year In Style

SEEING in the New Year in style, two new special edition 5-door Mazda2 models, the Black Edition and White Edition, is on sale from January 1st 2015 priced at £12,145 on-the-road.

Since its launch in 2007, the current Mazda2 has won over the Supermini segment with its styling flair, engaging driving dynamics and generous equipment specification levels. Embodying the model's energy and spirit, the Black Edition and White Edition bring more than a dash of extra urban chic to the Mazda2 line-up with sporting styling cues and a host of unique specification features.

"The Mazda2 Black Edition and White Edition represent a last chance for our customers to get their hands on a unique version of the current 5-door Mazda2," said Mazda UK Sales Director, Peter Allibon. "As with every Mazda special edition model, they combine bespoke exterior and interior styling with a lavish standard equipment specification, offering customers stand-out in-

dividuality and outstanding value for money."

A choice of bold, Jet Black Mica or Crystal White Pearlescent exterior colours is complemented by bespoke, diffuser-style rear bumper trim, a Jet Black rear spoiler and power-operated, heated folding door mirrors, rear privacy glass, 15-inch Dark Grey alloy wheels, unique Black Edition and White Edition badging, and the no-cost option of striking, colour-coded bonnet and roof stripe graphics.

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The appeal of the current Mazda2 model range has been further enhanced through an improved finance offer. All models are now available with Zero deposit, 0% APR\* Representative on Mazda Personal Contract Purchase (PCP) and a Deposit Contribution which has been increased from £500 to £750, over a maximum term of 42 months.

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## Football round-up

WITH STUART BROOM

# New Year joy for Magpies at Tatnam

Poole Town 0  
Dorchester Town 0

Calor Premier – att; 732

DORCHESTER Town produced a battling display on New Year's Day that saw them end a run of five straight defeats in December that has seen the Magpies left hovering around the relegation area.

In a game of few chances for either side, the county town's defence stood firm and apart from one first half save down at his near post from former Magpie Steve Devlin's volley, keeper Shane Murphy was not really tested.

At the other end the returning Dan Smith went close early on, whilst Nathan Walker saw his first half header from Andy Robinson's cross smack against the crossbar, before having the best chance in the game ten minutes from time to claim all the points.

However he blazed high and wide from 15 yards after a good Magpies move down the left.

Dorchester had to survive the last few minutes with ten men after Matt Oldring was dismissed for two yellow cards, but survived they did with a solid display that pleased manager Graham Kemp.

"We played very well as a team. The first quarter of an hour it was backs to the wall, but we grew into the game and fully deserved a point.

"There weren't a lot of chances either side, and although they created three or four in the first half, I don't think Shane (Murphy) had a save to make in the second half."

Expanding on this point he said: "with four experienced defenders there you would expect that, and Smeets coming back has been a big bonus.

"Glees (Jamie Gleeson) had a good game in a midfield unit that played

well, and to gain a point was very satisfactory, and in light of that it was unfortunate Saturday's game was called off."

Saturday's game at home to Arlesley was to have been Andy Robinson's last game after the former Southampton player, who joined Dorchester on non-contract terms in October, agreed to join Gosport Borough, managed by his former Saints academy boss Jason Dadds.

However on Monday, League One Crawley Town invited him to train with them, and so his move to the Conference South side has been put on hold.

Depending on whether the Red Devils make Robinson an offer, he could be available to play for the Magpies at Chesham United on Saturday as he would be cup tied for Gosport's FA Trophy game at home to Braintree.

◆ Former Magpies midfielder Lewis Morgan has returned to the club after a spell with Tiverton Town and looks set to fill the gap left by Robinson's departure.

With Hereford United's expulsion from the Southern League confirmed, it means Dorchester Town's 3-0 home victory over the Bulls in August will be expunged from the records and with it the three points, and means they drop into the relegation zone as a result.

## Yetton pen claims a share of the points

WEYMOUTH 1 TRURO CITY 1

Calor Premier – att; 980

WEYMOUTH survived the first-half dismissal of playmaker Chris Shephard to share the points with fellow promotion hopefuls Truro City at the Bob Lucas Stadium on New Year's Day, although it took another Stewart Yetton

penalty to bank the point.

After an uninspiring first half hour the game picked up when the Tinmen scored with almost the first shot of any note on either side.

Weymouth failed to clear a corner on 37 minutes before central defender Rob Farkins fired home from 14 yards with a low shot that took a slight deflection off Chris McPhee on its way into the net.

The Terras troubles were multiplied soon after when Shephard was red-carded.

Adam Kelly was penalised for a foul on Shane White and players from both sides remonstrated with the referee over the decision, Truro appearing to suggest Kelly's tackle deserved at least a card, with Weymouth also suggesting that White had perhaps been the perpetrator.

As Farkins appealed to referee Richard Corp, Shephard ducked under his outstretched arms before appearing to swing his arm and punch him in the side, knocking him over for which he was sent off.

The second half saw both sides finally worry the keepers but without too much drama.

The equaliser came on 66 minutes when a Danny Greenslade made a hash of clearing a long kick from Jason Matthews.

Yetton chased the ball as it ran away from goal and Greenaway in his quest to redeem his error, clumsily pushed the Weymouth captain who went to ground.

Although keeper Charlie Burns guessed the right way, Yetton's spot kick was perfect.

Truro sub and ex-Terras loanee Isaac Vassell should have regained the visitors lead almost immediately but failed to reach White's cross before the game petered out in the closing minutes.

## SENIOR LEAGUE

Chickerell United moved in top spot on goal difference pushed their visitors The Balti House down into second following thanks to a deciding goal from Peter Jarvis in a 1-0 win.

The only other game to beat the weather saw Corfe Mullen United win 5-2 at Piddletrenthide Spartans with goals from Jack Mcghan (2), Michael Corbett (2) and Billy Perscott.

On target for the hosts were Marcus Simpson and Adam Lloyd.

## DIVISION ONE

THE only game played saw Lytchett Red Triangle win 4-0 at Poole Borough Reserves to stay in the top four.

## DIVISION TWO

GILLINGHAM Town A extended their lead at the top to four points following their 3-1 win over Chickerell United Reserves with goals from James Weeks (2) Reece Foster.

A double from Aaron Dodd saw Broadstone move up into mid-table after a 2-1 win against Milborne Port.

Parley Sports Reserves won 4-1 at AFC Blandford 4-1 with the consolation goal coming from Ellis Greenslade

## DIVISION FOUR

FLEETLINE remain top after their 2-0 win at Portland Town A.

The other game played saw Portland United Youth take maximum points courtesy of a 2-1 at Corfe Mullen United Reserves. James Dillon netted for the hosts.

## DIVISION FIVE

MARNHULL surged nine points clear in top spot with a 4-1 win at United Club Of Poundbury.

## Dorchester Rugby

# Gladiators in second spot after a shaky start

Weymouth 3rd XV 5  
Dorchester 3rd XV 36

THE new year started with a rather soggy gathering at Monmouth Road for a match which Dorchester had forgotten had been re-arranged from the following week.

Nevertheless, an excellent turnout saw a varied team take to the pitch.

Weymouth had been expected to produce a similarly large and varied squad, but as it turned out their bench was rather smaller than their visitors', and most of their players were forwards.

Dorchester's game plan was therefore to spin the ball wide at every opportunity to unleash their young speedy backs. Unfortunately once the match started the plan went out of the window.

Weymouth scored within a minute, a speculative kick over the top catching the Dorchester defence napping, with Dave Allen, making his first appearance on a pitch not wearing referee's colours in several years, winning the foot race to dot down.

Dorchester retaliated, and Man-of-the-Match Steve King quickly found a puddle in the Weymouth in-goal area to dive into for a try.

The game then settled down, with both sides trying to batter through the middle. Occasionally Dorchester would remem-

ber the plan, and send the ball out to the backs, whose hands were so cold from lack of exercise that they then dropped it.

Eventually a sequence of passes built up allowing King over for his second.

At half time assistant deputy captain Paul Broadbent identified in no uncertain terms where the problems were and reminded everyone of the game plan.

At the restart The Gladiators duly started to play with more purpose, finding gaps in the Weymouth defence and generally retaining the bulk of possession.

The scrum won several strikes against the head and the large bench came into play while Weymouth were starting to tire.

Eventually Steve Hayward went over, followed by King for his hat-trick, the evergreen 51 year-old Allan Bickley scoring his third try in 10 years for the club.

The last play of the match saw Connor Skelland pick off a lucky bounce from a kick ahead to stroll under the posts unopposed.

Alex Skidmore at full back added three successful conversions.

| Dorset & Wilts 4 Pd  | + | -    | Pts |
|----------------------|---|------|-----|
| Lytchett II.....     | 9 | 98   | 27  |
| DORCH III.....       | 8 | 85   | 24  |
| Wincanton.....       | 9 | -18  | 16  |
| Swanage & W IV....   | 8 | -238 | 16  |
| Ell & R'wood III.... | 8 | 192  | 8   |
| WEY & PORT III....   | 8 | -119 | 4   |

## Weymouth Table Tennis League

# Opportunity for all abilities at League open day

THE Weymouth & District Table Tennis League are hosting an OPEN DAY at All Saints School this Saturday (January 10th) where England player Matt Ware will be there to help and advise.

As well as taking on new coaching roles in Dorset, Ware is still playing at the top level in the British Grand Prix circuit with some success, and this season currently lies second in the individual event, and top of the doubles standings at the turn of the year.

Ware has been working with the Weymouth youth set up since September and the results for Weymouth and the schools teams appear to be proving that the extra training is paying off.

The recent successes for Budmouth who won the Dorset schools team events at boys under 13s and 19s and girls under 16s, shows a real

strength in depth across the Weymouth youth set up.

The Weymouth League are now keen to introduce the sport to as many adults as possible and the open event is the first in a series of initiatives to make use of some of the excellent facilities now available in the town.

League Development officer, Andy Millar said: "The youth side is going from strength to strength and we are now working towards a breakthrough at national level.

"There are also a growing number of adults telling us they want to play table tennis, not necessarily in the league but for fun, but are not sure where to start.

"We are looking to provide opportunities for complete beginners or those returning to the game.

"There are lots of clubs around the Weymouth area

that we can put players in touch with catering for all abilities."

The open event is open to players of all ages from primary school children through to adults.

The hall will be open for anyone to play with friends and family or get advice on getting started from one of several coaches available. There will also be the opportunity to take on the league 'robot'.

There will be an introduction for primary school players from 10am, and older youth players and adults from 11am. From 12pm there will be a youth match play tournament for new and existing players.

Players can arrive anytime from 10am running until 2pm and the cost is just £1. For more details, please contact Andy Millar on 07710 507075 or e-mail a.millar212@gmail.com.





### U6 football in Bridport

BRIDPORT Football Club are launching a new under 6s team. Training sessions will be held at Colfox School on Wednesday evenings between 6pm and 7pm - beginning tonight (Wednesday, January 7th). Please contact Martin Phillips (manager) on 07969 882496 for more details.

## Bridport Skittles

CUP Fixtures for week beginning Monday, January 12th.

**Mens Individuals**  
(2nd Round)

*Monday, January 12th*

**WEST DORSET CLUB** - H Rathbone; M Powell; R Pincombe; C Willcox; N Pye; R Paulley; D Cooper; S Welsford; M Horton; B Robinson; D Cowburn; A Paulley; A Gay; G Brooks; P Scott; B Chapple.

**Ladies Individuals**  
(1st Round - no byes)

*Tuesday, January 13th*

**BRADPOLE CLUB** - M Hansford; C Lambert; K Tuck; C Bailey; S Newman; E Hooper; C Huxter; G Legg; J Doble; J Cake; M Paulley; A Wiscombe; S Luter; B Crandon; H Doble; J Brooks; J Symes; V Cozens.

| Division A  | Pld | Pts |
|-------------|-----|-----|
| Rejects     | 9   | 14  |
| Shipfaced   | 9   | 14  |
| Wanderers   | 8   | 14  |
| Masters     | 10  | 12  |
| Rockets     | 10  | 12  |
| Denhay      | 10  | 11  |
| Outsiders   | 9   | 10  |
| Rough Eight | 10  | 8   |
| Lively Lads | 10  | 6   |
| Slings      | 10  | 6   |
| The Dingles | 9   | 4   |
| Broad Oak   | 10  | 3   |

| Division B        | Pld | Pts |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| U Know the Bloses | 10  | 17  |
| Dingbats          | 10  | 16  |
| Originals         | 8   | 14  |
| Nelson Nobblers   | 7   | 12  |
| NBC               | 10  | 10  |
| LHS               | 9   | 8   |
| Bangers           | 8   | 7   |
| 7" Clock          | 10  | 6   |
| Crazy Gang        | 10  | 6   |
| Miss The Ball     | 10  | 6   |
| Gerrytrics        | 8   | 4   |
| Mean Machine      | 10  | 4   |

| Division C      | Pld | Pts |
|-----------------|-----|-----|
| Countrymen      | 10  | 18  |
| Castouts        | 10  | 16  |
| Bulldogs        | 10  | 14  |
| Whiskey Chasers | 9   | 13  |
| Pioneers        | 10  | 12  |
| Aussies Lot     | 10  | 8   |
| Pinseekers      | 10  | 8   |
| Strawpeedoes    | 10  | 8   |
| Alcoholics      | 9   | 6   |
| Survivors       | 10  | 6   |
| Unknowns        | 10  | 6   |
| AFAR            | 10  | 3   |

| Division D     | Pld | Pts |
|----------------|-----|-----|
| Yo Yo's        | 10  | 16  |
| Groundhogs     | 8   | 14  |
| Alleycats      | 10  | 12  |
| Brandy Snaps   | 9   | 10  |
| Holiden Talent | 8   | 10  |
| Offcuts        | 9   | 9   |
| Featherbeds    | 9   | 8   |
| Let 'em Roll   | 8   | 8   |
| Stinger        | 9   | 8   |
| Bad Girls      | 10  | 7   |
| Pinbashers     | 10  | 4   |
| Tiger Lilies   | 10  | 4   |

**Highest individual League score:** A Coombes (Outsiders) and F Parsons (Originals) both 92.

## West Bay Sea Angling

# Cullingford finally breaks his duck

AFTER years of trying Adam Cullingford finally won the West Bay Sea Angling Club's **Christmas Fayre** held at Burton Bradstock and West Bay.

Most anglers fished at Burton, and with a good sea running with plenty of colour, they caught cod, dogfish whiting, pout and rockling. Cullingford's haul of just over 5kg of fish saw him win by some margin from Simon Bowditch and Paul House.

Competitors weighed-in back at the Salthouse where they enjoyed a hot meal and after the prize giving, a draw was made for the Christmas presents that competitors brought to the match.

**Result:** 1st: Adam Cullingford 5070g, 2nd: Simon Bowditch 3360g, 3rd: Paul House 3150g, Heaviest fish: Paul House - cod 1320g, Most species: Craig Horton - five bearded/shore rockling and pout.

**Andy Neal Rover - Dec 13th**

A WEEK earlier, all but two anglers chose to fish at Burton on a calm and cold evening with plenty of fish coming to the scales.

Lea Windsor was one of those anglers who decided to fish at Bexington, which was a good move as he found plenty of fish including five plump codling.

1st: Lea Windsor 8125g, 2nd: Ollie Mears 7129g, 3rd: Steve Fowles 7045g, Most species: PJ wheeler (8) - flounder, codling, dogfish, pout, whiting, poor cod and five-bearded/shore rockling, Heaviest fish: (above bags removed) Paul House - dogfish 875g.

This completed the club's fixture list for the year; the first match of 2015 took place on January 1st at Abbotsbury.

The club's new membership year also starts on January 1st; to join or for more information please contact the Angling Centre, West Bay.



◆ AT LAST: Adam Cullingford (left) is presented with his prize by shore secretary Steve Fowles

## Wessex Point-to-Point

# Your full calendar of 2015 meetings

**ROYAL ARTILLERY**  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH.** First race: 11.35am  
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire  
Secretary: Mr A Connell. Telephone: 01980 662529

**SOUTH DORSET**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST.** First race: noon  
MILBORNE ST ANDREW, nr Bere Regis, Dorset  
Secretary: Mrs K Davis. Telephone: 01258 817151

**COMBINED SERVICES**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH.** First race: 11.30am  
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire  
Secretary: Mrs M O'Hare. Telephone: 01980 655556

**COUNTRYSIDE ALLIANCE CLUB (WESSEX)**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND.** First race: noon  
BADBURY RINGS, nr Wimborne, Dorset  
Secretary: Mrs J Stockdale. Telephone: 01258 455412

**QUANTOCK STAGHOUNDS**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST.** First race: 12.30pm  
COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset  
Secretaries: Mrs B Tully & Mrs S Baker. Telephone: 01278 732944

**BLACKMORE & SPARKFORD VALE\***

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH.** First race: 12.30pm  
CHARLTON HORETHORNE, nr Sherborne, Dorset  
Secretary: Mrs C Hinks. Telephone: 01963 370260

**NEW FOREST\* - SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH.**  
First race: 12.30pm  
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire  
Secretary: Mr J Young. Telephone: 01590 622515

**WILTON - Saturday, March 21st**  
First (Charity Flat) race: 12.30pm  
First (Point-to-Point) race: 1.30pm  
MILBORNE ST ANDREW, nr Bere Regis, Dorset  
Secretaries: Mr & Mrs M Elgar. Telephone: 01722 718368

**MENDIP FARMERS\***  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND.** First race: 12.30pm  
EASTON, nr Shepton Mallet, Somerset  
Secretary: Mrs M Dowds. Telephone: 01761 241339

**AVON VALE - SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH.**  
First race: 1.30pm  
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire  
Secretary: Mrs A Palmer. Telephone: 07976 335400

**COTLEY\* - SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH.**  
First race: 1.30pm

**COTLEY, nr Chard, Somerset**  
Secretary: Mr A Palmer. Telephone: 01297 678525

**PORTMAN**  
**EASTER SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH.**  
First race: 2.00pm  
BADBURY RINGS, nr Wimborne, Dorset  
Secretary: Mrs S Old. Telephone: 01258 817101

**TAUNTON VALE FOXHOUNDS & HARRIERS\* - EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 6TH.**  
First race: 1.30pm  
KINGSTON ST MARY, nr Taunton, Somerset  
Secretary: Mrs V Kemp. Telephone: 01404 881353

**SEAVINGTON - SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH.**  
First race: 2.00pm  
LITTLEWINDSOR, nr Beaminster, Dorset  
Secretary: Mr G Rendell. Telephone: 01308 868332

**SOUTH & WEST WILTS**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH**  
First (Charity Flat) race: 1.15pm  
First (Point-to-Point) race: 2.00pm  
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire  
Secretary: Mrs E Marriott. Telephone: 01747 840062

**DEVON & SOMERSET STAGHOUNDS**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 3RD.** First race: 2pm

**HOLNICOTE, nr Minehead, Somerset**  
Secretary: Mrs J Rawle. Telephone: 01398 332157

**CATTISTOCK\***  
**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY, MAY 4TH.**  
First race: 2pm  
LITTLEWINDSOR, nr Beaminster, Dorset  
Secretary: Mrs N Atkinson. Telephone: 01935 83892

**MINEHEAD HARRIERS & WEST SOMERSET - SATURDAY, MAY 9TH.**  
First race: 2pm  
HOLNICOTE, nr Minehead, Somerset  
Secretaries: Ms K Boufflower & Mrs D Stevens. Telephone: 01984 629266

**WESTON & BANWELL HARRIERS\***  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH.**  
First race: 4.30pm  
COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset  
Secretary: Mr J Fear. Telephone: 01278 783261

**WEST SOMERSET VALE\***  
**SUNDAY, MAY 24TH.**  
First race: 1.30pm  
COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset  
Secretary: Miss K Cooke. Telephone: 01934 853330

\*Meeting includes pony racing

## Bob Buckler racing

# Ugolin de Beaumont shows his potential

BOB Buckler had a busy time over Christmas and the New Year with mixed results with the novice UGOLIN DE BEAUMONT showing good form in only his second race when finishing second to Ghost River in the bumper at Chepstow.

His run is given more credence by the fact that winning trainer Peter Bowen and Rebecca Curtis and Jeremy Scott whose horses finished behind Buckler, rate their charges the

best novice horse they have had.

There was also more success for BALLYEGAN, who continued his recent return to form having won twice, finishing second in the novices' handicap hurdle over 2m7f at Exeter on New Year's Day behind the well handicapped Nordic Nymph.

However there was little success for three others at the same meeting. DIGGER'S MATE was once again disappointing, finishing last but one in

his hurdle race after being pulled up two days earlier at Taunton, whilst the previously impressive THE HAPPY WARRIOR drew another blank when pulled up in the handicap chase over 3m when reasonably placed when horse and jockey got too close to the wings halfway round.

SOMERSET LIAS hated the heavy ground and was further hampered when boxed in on the chewed up ground on the final bend after lead-

ing briefly and finished seventh in the 2m3f handicap hurdle. He will need further and better ground in future.

Buckler however was encouraged by his last runner at Exeter; SAY MY NAME running in his third bumper coming through to finish fifth.

Buckler said: "It was a lovely run considering he is a four-year old running against older five and six year olds.

"He also struggled in the heavy ground, and after dropping back to almost last approaching the final straight on the chewed up ground, came through with a strong run on the better surface to finish fifth."

TINKER TIME after his recent successes, also found the ground far too heavy for him last Saturday in the Class 2 32Red Casino Handicap Chase over 3m at Sandown and finished seventh.



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## INSIDE: Local sport round-up

### Terras move clear in top spot

**Weymouth 3 Arlesey 0**

*Calor Premier – att: 668*

FOR the second game running Weymouth were helped on their way to victory courtesy of a dubious penalty, and once again Adam Kelly was involved.

Weymouth were finding it difficult against struggling Arlesey when Chris Shephard played Kelly in behind the visitors defence.

With central defender Dave Corran shadowing him as they chased the ball away from goal, Kelly went to ground just inside the angle of the box where referee Mark Derrian some 25 yards behind play and on the blind side of the incident awarded a penalty.

Video evidence suggests that Kelly kicked Corran's foot rather than the ball as the defender went to block the Terra man's move before then crashing to the ground.

Stewart Yetton calmly fired the spot kick beyond keeper Nick Thompson's right hand. This seemed to unlock Arlesey's resistance and Weymouth scored again within two minutes to put them in the driving seat.

Ashley Well won the ball back after an at-

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tack had broken down on the right side of the area and the ball was finally fed in by Sam Poole to Shephard 23-yards from goal.

He beat two defenders before dinking the ball into the inrushing Yetton who headed home from eight yards.

Weymouth had started tentatively but had shown signs of taking control of the game before the first goal with Kelly and Shephard both testing Thompson.

George Rigg was also unlucky after the two-goal salvo when hitting both the upright and crossbar in separate attempts on goal.

However, Weymouth were lucky not to have player manager Jason Matthews sent off soon after when he flattened Hallelujah Basmel when clean through on goal.

He did receive a yellow card, but had he been sent off not only would have the Terras been a man short, they did not have a recog-

nised keeper on the bench.

Yetton, looking much sharper than he did at The Avenue on Boxing Day, should have completed his hat-trick early in the second half but fired over.

But an unmarked Alex Fiddes put the result beyond doubt with his first goal for the club just before the hour, when he had had the easy job of firing home at the far post after Yetton had touched a corner on with his foot.

Arseley almost grabbed a consolation but Chris McPhee cleared Nathan Hillaire's resultant free-kick off the line.

Hereford United's results in the Calor Southern League Premier Division have been expunged from the records after the 75-year-old club was wound up in the high court last month.

| Top of the table  | Pld | F  | A  | Diff | Pts |
|-------------------|-----|----|----|------|-----|
| WEYMOUTH.....     | 21  | 47 | 24 | 23   | 51  |
| Poole Town.....   | 21  | 38 | 13 | 25   | 50  |
| Corby Town.....   | 25  | 44 | 26 | 18   | 50  |
| Redditch Utd..... | 25  | 48 | 24 | 24   | 45  |

(as at January 6th)



◆ **BUDDING BAT STARS:** Budmouth C team of (from left); James Green, Jamie Blair and Moses Lewis who compete in the Weymouth & District Table Tennis League.

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